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Editorial

Africa Mission Study

A splendid course in Africa Mission Study is outlined for use in the churches this winter. The outline was printed in the October Visitor. It will also appear in the Christian Workers' Booklet. Suitable material appears in Our Boys and Girls and in the Visitor for the juniors and primaries. Bro. Helser's new book, "In Sunny Nigeria," is the text for adults and young people. Much supplementary material is mentioned in the outline. The plan provides that the entire congregation participate in the study.

Why should the churches study Africa? Can they not safely delegate the task of studying missions to the Mission Board, the missionaries and the prospective missionaries? Is it not enough that the congregations contribute the necessary missionary money?

The congregations need to study Africa as well as the whole subject of missions because, 1. Every Christian is responsible for the propagation of the Christian faith throughout the world. This responsibility cannot be discharged by those who are ignorant.

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2. We cannot pray as we ought unless we know how to pray. We cannot know unless we study. 3. We must learn the truth about other peoples before we can hope to be successful in teaching them a new faith. 4. We must build in our own hearts a Christian attitude toward other races. If we are afflicted with the superiority-complex we are not likely to succeed in evangelization. 5. American people must deal fairly and honestly with other peoples in commercial relationships if they are to believe our religion to be worth acceptance. 6. Our missionaries are faced with a hard task and they need an intelligent constituency to support them. Without such they are like an army with a weak base of supplies.

Pride and Mission Bequests

The world's greatest business men believe it wise to make large bequests for the propagation of truth. The Rockefeller Foundation is a good example of a great sum of money dedicated to the exploration of truth. It employs the world's best scientists to seek ways and means of stamping out devastating diseases. Mission lands owe much to such efforts.

Many men with hearts as noble as any great money king's should also make bequests. But pride prevents them from making small gifts. The General Mission Board is bent on the great adventure of making God known to people who do not understand his love and justice. In the place of fear, hatred, disease and ignorance we seek to enthrone faith, love, health and knowledge. The work of our church cannot depend on the gifts of millionaires, but on humble gifts from men of small estate. Many small bequests will total large. Your desire to make special gifts can be executed splendidly by the annuity plan, and you will receive a life income. A Christian's will should make reference to the work of the church.

Issues Facing the India Mission

An Introductory Article to This Special India Number Planned by the Writer

D. J. LICHTY

TO know nothing among the people "save Christ and him crucified" effectivly implies a knowledge of the people and of the issues growing out of their thinking and activities. **Some of the live issues existing on the India mission field** are presented in this issue of the Visitor with the hope that a perusal of the same will enable our supporters at home the more intelligently and sympathetically to help us effectively to meet them.

The Christian church has always been at her best when facing tremendous and fateful issues in a courageous and unselfish manner. If the Indian church, in the end, fails to become great it will not be because of a lack of such issues. At the present time it is of the utmost importance that we, as missionaries, help her, with the resources at her command, to recognize her obligations with resolute and consecrated determination.

It is significant of the times that missions are beginning to bestir themselves to give the Gospel to the Moslems of India more aggressively than in the past. One of our contributors tells in a splendid manner what educated India today thinks of our Christ. The large majority of his citations and quotations are from Hindus. One wonders what would have been the result, if, throughout the many years of missionary effort in India, as much effort had been made in behalf of the Mohammedans as was made for the Hindu communities.

The Hindus and the Mohammedans represent the bulk of population in India. Both communities keep clamoring for home rule. The leaders of both communities realize that this end can never be obtained without a changed attitude toward each other on the part of their followers. Often the leaders of the two religious factions are most to blame. Will they ever come together? Can they? Many thoughtful people doubt if it will be possible for them to do so. More than a thousand years ago the Mohammedan conquerors, on the pretense of introducing "the true religion," but most-

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What Educated India Thinks of Christ

C. G. SHULL

I DETERMINED to know nothing among you save Jesus Christ and him crucified." In these words the first great missionary expressed the aim of his missionary labors. Some in the mother church felt this aim was too restricted and they demanded that the missionaries teach also the laws and the customs of Moses (Acts 15: 1). But Paul insisted that this was not the aim of missions and the Church Council vindicated his policy. Several years later as "an ambassador in chains" he wrote to a group of his mission churches saying, "Far be it from me to glory save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ" (Gal. 6: 14).

The missionary in Asia today must perceive clearly this fundamental aim. One of the most successful missionaries among the educated classes of India today is Dr. Stanley Jones, whose experiences are recorded in his new book, "The Christ of the Indian Road." In his introduction to this book Dr. Jones says: "When I first went to India I was trying to hold a very long line, a line that stretched clear from Genesis to Revelation, on to Western civilization and the Western Christian church. . . . I saw that I could, and should, shorten my line, that I could take my stand at Christ, and before that non-Christian world refuse to know anything save Jesus Christ and him crucified." In a similar manner an Indian Christian layman recently said: "The missionary is here to advance the claims, and proclaim the message, and to live the life, of a Person called Jesus Christ. He has got to differentiate between Christ and the organized system of religion which goes by his name."

The subject of this article is not, what educated India thinks of Western civilization, nor again of Western Christianity, with its divisions, its theology and creeds, but **what does educated India think of Christ?** We are hearing these days of "the revolt of the East," and in China there are, verily, boycotts and rebellion. But is this "revolt of the East" an attack on Christ? For India, at least, it may be unhesitatingly said that it is not. India may have less admiration for Western nations than formerly, and she is critical, in some ways, of Western Christianity. But the educated classes of India are now distinguishing between Western systems and Christ, and their respect and reverence for him were never so great as at the present time.

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The New Attitude Toward Christ

This keen discernment and new attitude toward Christ appear very forcibly in the following contrasts: In India's National Congress, held at Poona ten years ago, a Hindu gentleman, in addressing the congress used the name of Christ. There resulted such an uproar and confusion that he had to sit down without finishing his speech. Nine years later in this same National Congress the Hindu president, in his presidential address, used many quotations from the New Testament, including the extended passage from the Gospel of John on the crucifixion of Jesus. Some one observed that in that particular congress there were over seventy references to Christ. And when India had difficulty in finding words to express her admiration for her national hero, Mahatma Gandhi, she turned to Christ saying, "Gandhi is like him."

Another striking evidence of India's remarkable change in attitude toward Christ is recorded by Dr. Jones in the book already mentioned. In one of India's large cities a large hall was set apart for Dr. Jones'

meetings. Nine years earlier Dr. John R. Mott had spoken here, and when he mentioned the name of Christ there was loud hissing. But in this same room in 1924 Dr. Jones spoke for six consecutive nights on the one theme of Jesus Christ and him crucified. The crowds increased each night until the last one, when they were standing around the doors and windows. When the invitation was given more than one hundred came forward, expressing their willingness to surrender to Christ. This different result was not due to the speaker. It was a new state of mind.

A more recent convincing testimony is the experience of Dr. Charles W. Gilkey of Chicago, whom some of our own students and others at home know.

During the winter of 1925 Dr. Gilkey made a tour of India, in which he gave forty lectures and fifteen other addresses to a total of between thirty and forty thousand hearers. At least twenty-five thousand of these hearers were students. The general subject of the six lectures which attracted these great crowds was, "Jesus, and the Life of Today." After the lectures there were great demands everywhere for personal interviews. One Indian paper says: "The interest . . . was maintained at white heat. It is Jesus, Jesus, and Jesus again that India will listen to, and Dr. Gilkey might go home and tell his people that any amount of Jesus the Indian people will have and in their turn give back to them; but not any other claims, institutions and ecclesiasticisms."

But there is still more recent testimony. During the last month (August, 1926) there was published the fact that Mahatma Gandhi is now teaching the New Testament one hour each week to the students of National University at Ahmedabad. The students, of their own choice, in preference to the Koran or the Hindu Shastras requested him to teach the New Testament. Concerning this the missionary editor of the Indian Witness says: "It is not difficult for any one who knows Mr. Gandhi to visualize him as a Bible teacher. His conversation and public addresses have revealed a familiarity with the Holy Book which could come only from deep and reverent study." Let every reader of these lines pray that this unique event may lead both teacher and pupils to a recognition of Jesus as the unique and all-sufficient Teacher, Lord and Savior.

As these lines are being written Dr. Jones is engaged in a new evangelistic tour in Western and Southern India as well as in Ceylon. Reports have reached the writer of visits at two centers, namely, Poona and Kholapur. In Poona, the intellectual center of Western India, one meeting was held at which one hundred and twenty-five stood up to declare their purpose to live a new life in Christ Jesus. At the final service arrangements were made for a Bible class to be taught by a missionary in the city and fifty Hindus and Mohammedans came forward to join it. A Marathi pastor of the city says: " . . . We thank God for these great manifestations of his power. We expect greater things." From Kholapur there are similar reports where "the halls were packed by educated non-Christians eagerly listening to the Gospel."

Some Opposition and Difficulties

However, the above picture would not be truly representative of all the facts without reference to some opposition and difficulties. Some shrink from baptism because of persecution from family or society, and others hesitate to affiliate with the church because they feel she has countenanced much of Western life that is undesirable. Two years ago there appeared in The Modern Review, a scholarly monthly journal of Calcutta, several articles criticizing some of the teachings and acts of Christ and seeking to prove the superiority of Buddha to Jesus. The articles show some prejudice, an imperfect understanding of Christ and his teachings, and often they show faulty methods of exegesis. They represent the opinion of some of the educated Hindus, although we are persuaded that those who thus seek to place Christ below other religious teachers like Buddha are comparatively few.

A larger number say that there is no difference between their own religious teachers and Christ. Their opinion is voiced by a remark recently made to the writer. The man had studied in a mission high school in Surat. I said, "What do you think of Christ and the New Testament?"

He replied, "Our sacred scriptures and yours all say the same thing. We say Krishna and you say Christ."

The evangelization of the educated classes is therefore a real job. The very encouraging feature is the marked decline of the two classes above mentioned, and, in contrast, the very rapid growth of the more favorable attitude group. This growth is so pronounced that it has been characterized as a "mass mind movement" among the educated classes towards Christ. The experience of the leading evangelists moving among them, as above mentioned, together with other facts justifies the use of the expression. Educated India is now saying, "Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God." The number of open disciples who are accepting him as their Lord, Teacher and Savior is growing daily. Especially during the past two years has the Spirit been working in marvelous ways and, like the Marathi pastor in Poona, "we expect greater things."

The Indian Church and Her Problems

I. S. LONG

SELF-GOVERNMENT and self propagation are of course a present need, and self-support should follow as soon as possible. On seriously undertaking these, the following problems, among others, will arise:

1. The problem of worthy leadership. This is not peculiar to India, but it is difficult here for the following reasons: (1) The spirit of caste carried over, in spite of better light; (2) lack of a liberal education; (3) lack of administrative experience; (4) lack of deep knowledge of the Word, of history and psychology; (5) lack of vision; (6) lack of readiness for real self-sacrifice. There is an Indian proverb, "As the king, so the people."

2. The problem of caste within the church. The West has its class and race prejudice; India has her caste system. Christians are liable to marry within their former ranks; now Christians are liable to promote their own interests, neglectful of the interests of others. This may be natural, but it is not love. It is not the mind of the Master.

3. The problem of self-government and self-propagation. When the church seems slow and not knowing the way, the hustling foreigner takes things in hand and manages. This was necessary in the beginning, but we cannot longer make that claim, and for this reason, among others, nearly all missions are seeking ways of transfer of responsibility to the Indian church.

4. This leads to the much-discussed problem of domestication or orientalization of the Christian religion. There is a felt need that it should come to the East in a dress peculiar to the East. Presented by Westerners, the forms of organization and service, the ritual, the vestments, manner of keeping the ordinances, the hymns and prayers—everything furnishes reminders of the West. The Bible translation and revisions, as well as nearly all the literature spread broadcast, have been the work of devoted Westerners. None wishes to pluck a star from their crowns. Nevertheless, the day for presenting Jesus Christ in language and forms and poetry and music and literature peculiarly Eastern is at hand. Jesus Christ is bidding for the heart of intelligent India with wondrous winsomeness and power, while these same literati are rarely drawn to the church.

5. The problem of unity is one I dare mention also. As conditions are, we are able to present to India not the body of Christ in one church, but only manifold forms of Christianity, all differing. This spells only confusion. I doubt whether the church of Christ will come to her own, on this side, till she presents a united front.

6. Another real problem is that of fitting self to receive Moslems and high-caste folks. Being from the lower strata for the most part, having been depressed for ages and separate by custom, they have an instinctive and experimental knowledge of their status, socially. Nevertheless, there must be one Shepherd, one fold. Fortunately, Christians are advancing educationally and socially. Education changes folks, and hence the gulf is being bridged. Christians are taking their places in the various walks of life. Caste



Some of the Anklesvar School Girls Grading the Bank in Front of the School Building

spirit is lessening. Where the Spirit of the Lord is there is liberty and there is love. In presenting Christ, Christians have largely avoided the Moslems and higher castes, have felt unable to meet them, and these folks knew it and stayed outside the church. A few of the few who did come in have gone back whence they came. Whoever we were, we **now** need to be a pure, liberal-minded, courageous, generous people.

7. Another problem is that of joining forces to help all candidates for baptism to be able to remain, if possible, where they are at the time, in their own homes and villages and occupations, and not that they should be segregated as hitherto. This will require moral courage of a high order, great vigilance, and it may be suffering for the Master's sake. In these days there are too few martyrs.

Akin to this is the need for Christians, at whatever cost in money and patience and suffering, to go right into the midst of the bazaars of the cities and villages and set up shop. Christians are far better educated, cleaner in their homes and dress, and withal more moral and genteel than Moslems, yet the latter move freely everywhere, while Christians feel they are not wanted and do not press in. To command respect of others as well as to be self-respecting, Christians need to succeed better in business of all sorts.

8. The problem of pastors and their support. This is the crux of them all, and a universal problem. Missionaries did the preaching in the first place, and they are liable to continue doing it too long. For obvious reasons, we cannot do the pastoral work well. Missionaries serve the churches free, of course.

Being poor in money and lacking in initiative they are not as insistent on having Indian pastors as they should be. The problem is that of getting the church willing to undertake the support of a pastor. It is unnatural for a minister on wage as a mission worker to be a so-called pastor. Folks intuitively know that they have no right to call one **their** pastor till by the ties of loving association and support they can think of him as shepherd and of themselves as his sheep.

Regardless of poverty, the need for supporting pastors is real. And the sort of men fit and willing are available. The necessity for education and homes for children naturally requires no small salary. Provident or superannuated funds are very few.

I think it undeniable, on the other hand, that the vast majority of educated Indian leaders are too liable to imitate the West in dress and food and manner of living generally, thus requiring a wage difficult to obtain, and certainly difficult for them to

get as pastors of a flock living too often "from hand to mouth."

We are morally sure that the literati of India will never accept even religion at the hands of Westerners. The national consciousness is already so strong that she would lose her soul rather. Nor will they accept of Jesus Christ at the hands of an agency paid by funds from the West. It is perfectly clear that so long as the church does not support her pastors fully, and the pastors and rank and file of the members in their simplicity do not present Christ to India, they will be marking time, not living in the joy and power of the early church, and India will not own him as her Lord.

Yes, every Christian a witness to his saving power! They need not be high caste or influential or rich to do this. Better if they go out rather in riches of love and sympathy and service. Let India see the church living a life of sacrifice and true devotion in his service. Let her recall the rich heritage of sacrifice and devotion handed down to us! No penance too hard, no journey to some temple or holy river too long, no sacrifice too great to obtain merit! Ah, if this spirit were caught today by the church, India would not be long in crowning him Lord of all!

(This paper is general, thinking of the whole church in India, and not of our denomination alone.)

ISSUES FACING THE INDIA MISSION

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ly for political power and for the sake of loot, swept over the greater part of India, robbing her temples, desecrating her gods and forcing thousands into their religion at the point of the sword. They ruled over the Hindus for nine hundred years and made tremendous religious inroads into the ranks of Hinduism.

Their descendants continue to be aggressive in their religious propaganda. The Hindu, while contending that all religions are alike good, at the same time considers it the height of sin and folly for anyone to forsake his own religion, and all the more he abhors forceful conversion such as was at first perpetrated by the Moslems. It is considered no violation of this principle to urge Hindu Mohammedans and Hindu Christians to return to the Hindu fold. There has been organized in recent years a Hindu movement of Shuddhi (purification), which has resulted in the reconversion of many Mohammedans to Hinduism and of a very few Christians. Since the greater grievance is against the Mohammedans, most of the efforts of this movement have been directed towards them, and it has of course not helped matters. As a result the situation has grown from bad to worse. At this point it is important that the Indian church, in word and deed, proclaim to both factions the reconciliation which can come only through union in our Christ. This is no time for the Christian community to seek communal representation in the legislative assemblies of the country, as do the Hindus and Mohammedans, in order to secure their respective rights and advantages. Rather, let its representatives obtain this end through and for unselfish service to all communities.

In the conclusion of one of the articles of this issue we are reminded that we ought "to love our enemies aggressively." It will not be understood from this that Bro. Mow counts the Mohammedans of India as his enemies. He well knows, however, that all true Mohammedans include as their enemies all who do not honor and follow "the true religion and God's prophet, Mohammed." In order to show their love and good will most aggressively to this community, Brother and Sister Mow have, during the past three years, been delving more or less in the Gujerati, Urdu, and Arabic languages along with a study of the Mohammedan religion. From what station they will be best enabled to serve this community in our district remains to be seen. For the present they are intending to use Jalalpor as a reconnoitering point, while they give temporary supervision to the work already established at this place. It is the policy of the India mission as soon as possible to arrange for them to devote their full time to work among Moslems. Work among this class of people is most difficult, and an interest in the prayers of all Christ's workers is desired in their behalf.

"CHRIST the same Yesterday, Today and Forever."

Consider the lands where Christ is known and loved as compared with those where he is a Stranger.

The Hindu Moslem Situation

FRED'K M. HOLLENBERG

THERE has developed in India within the last six years a question which to some seems very distressing, but to others hopeful. Almost every paper has accounts of strife between the two great religions which predominate in India. Many rowdies are taking this as an occasion to settle private grudges, which they would not dare to do under normal circumstances. The numbers killed in the riots would run into the hundreds, and those injured into the thousands, while the damage to property runs into the millions.

The principal cities of India have furnished the most notorious of these riots, while probably there was as much feeling in some smaller communities. The newspaper accounts of these affairs may or may not fully describe the situation. But enough has been published to show that there is at present a tension between the two religions; so much so that every Hindu and Moslem holiday is looked upon as a possible occasion for a riot.

There are many causes assigned to these uprisings: 1. The incompatibility of the two religions. 2. Injurious writings, especially pamphlets and leaflets, which stir up strife and which the government did not deal with effectively. (It is authoritatively stated in the papers that the Calcutta riots are directly traceable to such writings.) 3. The communal electorates have furnished the cause of strife, as they gave opportunity for unprincipled politicians to stir up religious feeling to gain their ends. (Men who cared more for office and selfish gain than service for their country.) 4. The government is accused of backing quarrels, which have lent a defiant air to the opposing party. 5. People do not feel that it is their government, and so refuse to coöperate to form a community spirit. 6. Reformed societies, such as the Arya Samaj, do not respect ancient custom and have needlessly aroused antagonism. 7. The intellectual awakening of the people has not had time to adjust itself, and the country is going through birth pangs which will beget a nation. 8. Militant Moslems are trying to push forward their religion forcibly upon a nonresistant people who are awakening.

While no one of the assigned causes will fully account for the present state of things, there is doubtless some truth in them. The situation is very complex and arises from mental attitudes and circumstances. And so it might truly be said that it is a psychological problem which has a religious color.

With the growth of schools and intercourse there has come a breaking away from the old orthodox bonds, and people have begun to think for themselves. The world war has awakened the millions of India who before were content with the old way. India has awakened to a realization that she has things which are worth-while if she will but hunt them out. Also Christianity has undermined the old positions and India is on the hunt for more solid foundations. India is awakening and has not fully found herself. So, while the two religions can live side by side in practical, everyday life, it is when they celebrate that there is a clash. It will be seen, if one follows all the accounts, that it is either when a Hindu procession passes a mosque with music that the trouble starts, or it may be the Moslems taking on parade a cow which will later be sacrified. Now there are many cattle killed in India for meat and little is said about it. But when it comes to parading religion the other party gets worked up. If the sacrificing of cows were carried on in a quiet way there would be no fuss, but when the display is made the other side feels as though a thrust had been made at them, and there is resentment. It strikes at the foundation of their religion. The foundation of the Hindu religion might be said to be the sacredness of life, and that of the Moslems the abhorrence of idolatry. So, when the Hindus take their idols in procession, it is a thrust at the heart of the Moslem religion, and the music which accompanies these processions serves to work them up to where they get desperate, especially if this is done at the Moslems' prayer hour.

In years gone by there was little trouble,

because circumstances did not allow it to develop. But now, with the general awakening and readjusting, all are sensitive and easily offended. This would likely have come through all right had not the noncoöperation movement held down the sense of community responsibility. As it is, the people who should be the backbone of peace and order have been quietly sitting by and allowing things to take their course. They say, "We are not responsible; the English government is seeing after things; let them do it."

The British government has been noted for its sense of justice and order, and it has tried to keep peace and order even while the two were at each other's throats. The two communities, realizing this, have taken advantage of the government and have asked for and obtained police escorts for their processions; while each should realize that to live in peace and harmony they dare not do things which cause disorder. It has been suggested by some that a general meeting of the leaders of the two religions be held, to agree on what is just for each religion. But such a course will never succeed. Hinduism has no central authority and no men who can speak for all the people. So, what might suit some would not suit others. Also, in some places Hindus predominate and in others the Moslems. Now one rule will not work in both places. Where there is a Moslem majority the Hindus will have to learn to respect the wishes of the majority, and vice versa. A third party cannot enforce such a thing. If they are left to settle these things themselves they will soon come to an agreement and it will be a local agreement. So I think the government in its zeal for order and justice has augmented the trouble in furnishing police escorts for religious processions.

At present there are signs that the people are realizing the mistake of noncoöperation and will now do what they can to reach amicable relations. With the change of attitude of the responsible men in India, I see the clearing up of the trouble of the two communities. For while their religions are incompatible, they both come from one peace-loving stock, and under the proper circumstances all are forbearing and generous to the faults and peculiarities of others.

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The Moslem Challenge

B. M. MOW

TO ask the proudest man in the world to accept a religion he detests from a man he hates"—this is what it means when we ask the Moslem to become a Christian. The Christians have denied and reviled the holy prophet, Mohammed, and are his open enemies, declaring him an impostor; they reject the glorious Koran, the uncreated word of Allah, written in the clear Arabic on the preserved table by the throne of God from all eternity; they laugh at the traditions; they have corrupted their own scriptures almost beyond recognition, especially by cutting out the prophecies of the coming of Mohammed; they worship three gods—father, mother, and son—a blasphemy to Allah and an absurdity; they believe Isa (Jesus) was crucified, whereby they are made acceptable to the father—an impossible doctrine based on a historical lie. Have they not fought cruel wars against the faithful, and slain tens of thousands? Are they not carrying on an open missionary effort, seeking to extirpate Islam? In India they have crept in and seized the power from Mohammedan hands and reduced them to poverty and helplessness, while they have given the jobs to the idolatrous Hindus; they despise our laws and customs and ourselves, and they spread lies about us; they eat pork, the abomination! So why should the faithful pay the slightest heed to what the accursed infidel might say? Moreover, there is actual danger in listening to his polluting words.

Such is the standard estimate of the Christians by Islam. The reader will discern in it some truth and some error. But this is what the father teaches the son and the mother her daughter. It is what the maulvi is teaching his people, elaborating this simple outline, with illustrations and proofs of clearest logic, until the humblest and illiterate Moslem is well fortified with arguments against the treacherous Christian dog. Some of course see these charges in the most intense vividness, others in paler colors, but all are perfectly familiar with this portrayal. There is just one weak spot in the indictment: the Christian, especially the foreign one, **is** a clever and capable devil; he has got the upper hand and knows how to make things work. Visible power and success make a considerable argument (an almighty one if it is on the Moslem's side). Practically all Mohammedans, radical or conservative, are willing to listen and have a lively discussion with the missionary, in the bright hope of a wordy victory over him at least. To keep discussions serious is one of our greatest problems.

All will now see the difficulty of winning the Mussulman, when one must contend with such an attitude. It is a rather common statement or assumption that it is impossible to convert a Moslem to Christianity. And so it is, if you mean common, ordinary Christianity. He has some most ridiculously exaggerated ideas of the greatness of his prophet and the whole Islamic system. It is a matter of no special difficulty for a well-educated Christian to demolish every argument he can bring up for his faith. But even if the Moslem admits himself beaten (which is most unlikely), he still hates our religion and will have no incentive to accept it. He must be called by God if he is ever to leave his old barren faith. He must come to **Christ,** not to Christianity. This is not only possible, but it is occurring day by day. Not many come, it is true, but some.

How is the conscience to be awakened? Perhaps chiefly by the printed Word. Some slight curiosity prompts one to buy from a Christian a Gospel—a portion of "the Book, the former Scriptures" so often referred to, and with respect, in the Koran. He reads (or has it read), and can not divert the issue; he wrestles alone with his pride, until he sees that God is speaking; then he becomes an inquirer. Sometimes also he gets to observe a real Christian, under circumstances which prove that he possesses a love and spiritual power that can come only from God. He asks the Christian difficult questions—and here is the great and lawful place where the extensive knowledge of the fine points of Islam comes into use. With difficulties explained and the call becoming strong, a crisis is reached in the

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Progress in Indian Social Reform

SADIE J. MILLER

INDIA, bound by an iron-clad social system and soothed by the tremendous sway of religious tradition, is in many ways the most conservative country in the world. In spite of this, so far as she has come in social reform, her progress has been rapid. Noteworthy among the agencies and influences which have inspired and assisted her in this worthy cause are, British rule, the spread of the English language, education, and Christian missions.

British Rule

In Cawnpore, North India, on the Ganges River, within a stone's throw of the monument which stands in memory of the English women and children who were murdered in the Sepoy Mutiny, is another, commemorative of the abolishment of suttee. Until then it was counted virtuous for a woman to sacrifice herself in the fire of her husband's funeral pyre. The noble English officer who, in the face of much opposition and unpopularity, performed this merciful deed for the widows of India is now generally considered as one of the country's benefactors. In recent years the practice of suttee is a rare occurrence, and from all sides it is condemned by the descendants of those who used to approve of it.

The British government, by a splendid system of road making, with its thousands of miles of fine roads and railways, through an educational program carried out all these years, in justice impartially administered by her judicial officers, by the distribution of civil surgeons and free medical service, by timely aid in oft-recurring famines, has not only facilitated social reform to date, but is pointing the way for awakened India to travel when she will have attained to the much-talked-about home rule.

English Language

Amidst the babel of Indian languages, through the agency of high schools, colleges and universities, the English language has become the best medium for the exchange of thought in the various political and social conferences of the land. For the Indian people it has made available the best social reform literature of the world. Even the coolies of the larger centers know a limited amount of English. Best of all there is a growing demand for it among the Indian women. Besides the other advantages derived from a knowledge of this language it is considered that their social status is materially enhanced thereby. Recently a railway man begged me to teach his daughter English, because he believed it would enable her to marry a man of higher rank.

Education

The educational system of India, besides providing civil servants useful in the administration of government, is producing men who think straight and speak fearlessly concerning the social wrongs of their country. The following is a gleaning from a recent issue of The Madras Mail, in which Mr. Ramkrishna Vijayaram, a Hindu social reformer, cries out against the wrongs of India's women: "The state of complete dependence, in which the Hindu women are kept from birth to the end of their lives, makes it impossible for them to have self-reliance. Women of other religions are better off than their Hindu sisters, for in many cases they are obliged to depend on themselves and thus get an opportunity of developing self-reliance. But the Hindu woman is shut up within the four walls of her house. I call earnestly upon the enlightened population of India to teach the Hindu women how to become self-reliant, to consider it their duty, to the very end of their lives to maintain and advocate female education, bravely fighting the opposition that may arise against their noble cause."

Than Mahatma Gandhi there perhaps is no sturdier nor more effetive social reformer in India. Let us quote just a particle of his disgust at the custom of enforced widowhood and child marriage:

"Does it not stink in one's nostrils, this Hindu widowhood, when one thinks of the old, diseased men over fifty years taking, or rather purchasing, girl wives, sometimes one on top of the other? So long as we have thousands of widows in our midst we are sitting on a mine that will explode at any moment. If we would be pure, if we

would save Hinduism, we must rid ourselves of this poison of enforced widowhood. The reform must begin with those who have girl widows, taking courage in both hands and seeing that the child widows in their charge are duly and well married.

"Who will not weep over the figures which show the misery caused by child marriage and enforced widowhood? Here are the figures of Hindu widows according to the census of 1921:

Widows of the age of five years	11,892
Widows from five to ten years	85,037
Widows from ten to fifteen years	232,147
Total	329,076

"This demonstrates the wrong done to Hindu girl widows. We cry out for cow protection in the name of religion, but we refuse protection to the human cow in the shape of girl widows. In the name of religion we force widowhood on 300,000 widows who could not understand the import of their marriage ceremony. It is a brutal crime for which we Hindus are paying dearly. If our conscience was truly awakened there would be no marriage before fifteen years of age, let alone widowhood. Whether imposed by religion or custom, it is an unbearable yoke and defiles the home by secret vice, besides degrading religion."

Mohammedans do not enforce widowhood on their women, but they have almost its equal in the wretched purdah system. Concerning this Hafizur Rahman, a Moslem B. A., says:

"The Mohammedans on this side of the Arabian Sea treat their women worse than animals. I am a born Mohammedan, but am shocked at the tyranny which is perpetuated on the poor helpless Muslim woman behind the purdah. Some men defenders [of this system] carry on a lying propaganda in its favor by advertising that women in the Muslim harems rule like queens. The poor, unwelcome girl comes into the world weeping and must weep her whole life. She begins to wear the burqa [a muslin cloak which covers her from the top of her head] before she is ten years old. She is imprisoned for life for no other crime than that she is born a woman in an Indian Muslim family. At her husband's home, the next prison, she is put into a reserved apartment and kept away from the sight of males. The spread of English education among Indian Mussulmans has rung the death knell of purdah. Its days are numbered. All right-minded Mussulmans are morally and religiously bound to see that their women live in the world and not in the grave of purdah."

Christian Missions

A governor of Bengal, at the close of the nineteenth century said: "In my opinion, Christian missionaries have done more lasting good to the people of India than all other agencies combined." The editor of The Indian Social Reformer is a Hindu of prominence. He has edited this periodical for thirty years and is considered good authority on questions of social reform in this land. In a July issue of this splendid weekly we read the following editorial:

"Organized social work in India can be said to date from the advent of Christian missionaries. Practically one-tenth or twelve thousand of the foreigners in this country are missionaries. In the linguistic sphere, missionaries have been pioneers in giving literary form to numerous languages, notably those of the hill tribes. They have also been first in the newspaper enterprises. The fact that among the Indian Christians, now numbering 5,000,000, there are 353 per thousand literates among men and 210 among women, as compared with 139 per thousand and 21 per thousand among men and women throughout India, speaks much for the quality of education imparted in missionary institutions. As regards medical relief, the missionaries have to their credit the establishment of 224 hospitals with 5,000 beds and numerous dispensaries and leper asylums. In the social and humanitarian sphere, their temperance and prohibition propaganda alone entitles them to the lasting gratitude of the Indian people. This is no mean record of work of which any society can be proud, and it is to be hoped that Christian missionaries will continue their beneficent work in India."

In recent years we read of orphanages, baby folds and widows' homes conducted by non-Christians. Child welfare work, temperance and social welfare societies are organized quite generally. These have come into existence by the example of Christian people. In Lahore a widows' home is con-

ducted by educated and conscientious Hindus, especially for remarrying Hindu widows. They started it in 1914 and succeeded in marrying 12 widows the first year. The number has gradually gone up until in 1924 there were 1,693 widows married; in 1925 there were 2,663. This reform relates mostly to high-caste Hindus. They, more than others, have always opposed the remarriage of their widows.

The Good Leaven at Work

Years ago there was no sentiment, except condemnation for such marriages. The wives of the viceroys and governors have taken great interest in women, girls, and babies and have wonderfully improved things for them. Dailies many times in the year show pictures of the prize-winning babies in the exhibits. Mrs. Naidu is chairman of the Indian Congress. Several women have been given membership on the municipal boards of some cities, and many are heard from the platform these days. When women get their proper status India will be queen in social reform.

The Awakening in Nepal

Following closely upon the announcement of total abolition of slavery in Nepal have come two other items of news of important social work being undertaken in that hermit Himalayan kingdom. One is that 700 rupees has been given for combating tuberculosis, and the other, the opening of a military hospital in one of the large places. Until now missionaries have had to work along the border, and even doctors were not allowed to open their work properly within her borders. A new India indeed!

THE MOSLEM CHALLENGE

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inquirer's heart. Does he dare become a Christian? It will mean the loss of all his friends and prospects, perhaps also his property or his life. He is haunted by a deep residual fear at leaving the faith which he has always been taught is the one and the absolute. For these reasons it is evident why the number of souls won from Islam are few. Nevertheless, the Spirit of God does draw so powerfully that he wins one here and there.

And they are very much worth getting, worth working for. And even though the converts be few, have we any valid reason for not trying to win them? Shall the church look for easy picking? The deliberate making of distinction among those we wish to serve is a thing the missionary long ago laid aside, before he ever crossed the waters. Our failure to work for an individual or class is due therefore only to circumstances and preoccupation, not to hesitancy, or lesser excuses. We have long been aware that in parts of our field there are large numbers of Mohammedans, and we feel that we have no reason longer to delay giving them direct attention.

The Mohammedans in our section of India are a minority, but an important one, in many ways. They are largely of Hindu extraction, converted generations ago, at the point of the sword of some fanatical invader. On the whole they are of milder temperament than are the invading stock, and their beliefs are more modified by Hinduism. The attention they have received from Christians thus far is slight. They have, of course, heard some preaching to Hindus and aborigines, and a few discussions have followed. A half dozen Gujerati tracts on Islam are available, but are used scarcely at all. Herein the matter is summed up. Hence the Mohammedans about us constitute practically an unworked field. But it is a promising one. There are about twenty thousand easily accessible around both Anklesvar and Jalalpor, and many more in the larger cities near by.

This now is our challenge. The Moslems do not desire us at all, nor do they welcome our teaching. Shall we therefore pass them coldly by and go only to those who invite us (for indeed this latter opportunity does come sometimes)? God forbid! Our Gospel is for all men, in all stages of ignorance and error and sin. And besides, we will be found losing time in the end if we delay work among these needy people when we now have the opportunity and ability. Our Master "came to his own and his own received him not."

And after him, the long line of revered names are of those who carried the message to men who resented it! As one said, who had been greatly abused by the heathen, "This proves how much they need the

Gospel!" It is the way of the cross that leads home. Brethren, let us love our enemies aggressively!

FOUR BELTS OF TERRITORY

For Use in Africa Mission Study

Nigeria as a whole is divided into four physiographic belts. The coast region is an almost continuous swamp, with dense mangrove forests extending inland from ten to sixty miles. The one striking exception in this dismal area is the mountainous region of the extreme east coast in the British Cameroons, where the Victoria Mountains rise to a height of 14,000 feet. The second belt is a dense tropical forest region, fifty to a hundred miles in width. The third belt is a more open type of country, with hills and plains of high grass and considerable forest. This region includes the northern stretches of Southern Nigeria and extends well into Northern Nigeria. The remainder of Nigeria, constituting about one-half the total area, is a great rolling plateau with an average height of about 2,000 feet, rising to 6,000 feet toward the eastern sections. The vegetation and forests of the southern areas grow less and less until the sandy regions of the northern boundary merge into the sands of the Western Sudan and the Sahara.—From "Education in Africa," by Thomas Jesse Jones.

CHINA NOTES FOR OCTOBER

Marie Brubaker

Ping Ting Chou

Recently the Girls' School was favored with a talk by Wei Ch'iu Lan, one of our graduates, who is now doing a splendid work in one of the evangelistic tents. She told about her call to this work; at first she accepted the position only as a means of earning a living. Some of the people called her Jesus, saying, "Jesus has come, give Jesus a place to sit down." This stirred her to compare herself with Jesus and to Paul, and now she believes that she too has been definitely called to be an evangelist. Hers is not an easy task, for most of her friends do not approve of it. The hardest she has had to endure was being called a "foreign devil" by some of the Chinese, her own people.

Two weeks ago a Christian young man brought his sister to school. He is very anxious that she be not only educated, but that she may become a true Christian. He said that he is not afraid of the present anti-Christian persecution. Pray for the teachers in the school, that this opportunity may be used to lead one of God's chosen to know him and to serve him always.

Bro. Bonsack and Bro. Yoder arrived in Ping Ting Oct. 13, after a long, hard trip. They were not met by any of the Chinese, much to their great disappointment, because we could not tell them exactly what time the Brethren would arrive here, due to the uncertai - train service just now. It did seem good to see them get out of our old Ford—just as though a little part of our beloved home church had suddenly been put down in China. We miss the connection with our home church very keenly, so the visit of these, our leaders, will mean much in inspiration and help to the missionary body.

The first evening of their visit the church gave them a big welcome with speech and song. Bro. Bonsack and Bro. Yoder responded with splendid speeches. Though Bro. Bonsack almost "stumped" his interpreter with some of his big words, his smiling face would have put his message across even had they not been able to know one word of what he said. His good smile and his hearty handshake are winning a place for him in their hearts. Bro. Yoder is remembered by many of them, and they are so happy to have him back again. It will mean much to our church in China to have these fine, consecrated men in our midst for a few months.

The Chinese entertained them to a feast the second evening they were here. Bro. Yoder, out of his former experience, was able to taste most of their many dishes, but Bro. Bonsack had to be excused on some things. He said that the looks were enough for him on some of the things, especially the ancient eggs.

The foreigners also had a community supper in their honor. After every one had satisfied his physical needs, Brethren Bonsack and Yoder spoke to us, and how soul-satisfying their good talks were! We gathered at the home of the nurses, so that Mrs. Vaniman and Miss Clapper, who are confined to their beds there, could hear the talks and enjoy the fellowship.

Bro. Harlan Smith has been confined to his bed the past few days with a touch of flu. We are hoping for a speedy recovery. Miss Schaeffer was forced to return from her work in the country and take to her bed for several days with a severe attack of neuralgia. She is better at the present writing, but is still not able to take up her work again.

With the winter comes the time for contagion in China, for their little rooms are so small and they must shut them up so tight to keep warm, as they cannot afford sufficient fuel and clothing to be comfortable otherwise. At present there is an epidemic of measles. The children stay in only as long as they cannot run about, and then out they come, to give it to the next child, and so it goes. The word quarantine means nothing in China.

The mails from Tientsin are not carrying packages, and since we get a good bit of our material from there to carry on the industrial work we have been at some disadvantage this fall and winter. But the women constantly pray that the way may open up for the materials to come, and in almost miraculous ways we have been able to get them, and so are

able still to carry on in full force. Times are very hard among the poor classes just now, because of the war and the very dry summer in our section, and we are praying that the work may not need to be stopped. It means so much to a number of women and their children. The women constantly speak of those at home who are buying their work, and ask many times that all be thanked for the interest shown in them. They try so hard to do the work as well as they can, and feel very bad when one woman happens to get something dirty or spoils it in any way.

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The Women's Welfare Club held a three days' meetings in the church in the interest of public and private hygiene. Lectures were given on the following subjects: "Contagious Diseases," "Hygiene in the Home," "The Evils of the Tobacco Habit," "Footbinding," "How to Get Rid of the Fly," and "The Importance of Educating the Girls." A little play was presented by the women of the Bible School to demonstrate each theme, and the church was filled with posters illustrating various phases of hygiene. Besides these, one room was devoted especially to teaching care of the baby, another to various ways of preventing sickness from flies, and the medical department occupied another room. The women from the best homes of the city were invited especially, and tea was served to them in a little room, either before or after the program. An effort was also made to have as many other people present as possible. The audiences were not as large as we had hoped for, but seemed quite interested. Quite a few fly swats were sold, as well as many cakes of home-made soap and several packets of baby outfits.

Little J. C. Oberholtzer passed away Oct. 23, 1926. His parents will miss him, but he had never been well, and so we are all thankful that he has at last been taken to Jesus, who loves little children, and where there is no more pain and suffering for him. When his parents took him to Peking last spring they were told that there was no hopes for his recovery.

Shou Yang

All of the evangelists have come back from their vacations with renewed vigor, and are entering upon their work with a will. Bro. Shun has been working among the Christians in the Yu Hsien county for about a month. Bro. Chao has just started on a program of an every-member canvass. We are trying to keep the Christians encouraged in their Christian life. Bro. Chao has a jolly smile for every one, and is especially good at follow-up work. We appreciate his good Christian fellowship in the work at Shou Yang.

The anti-Christian propaganda has not ceased, and there are many distracting reports. There is no special persecution that we have noted. The wild rumors simply have a discouraging effect upon the weaker Christians and the enquirers. A sample of one rumor: The report is current that the general who was defeated in the attack at Liao Chow last year, had to flee. He took refuge in a Japanese church. While hiding there Governor Yen found him. Because the Japanese church was protecting him the governor is suspending all Christian churches in Shansi, and is planning to drive out the foreigners. Bro. Heisey is reported to have taken his family to Peking already. This is only propaganda and rumor. There is nothing like a Japanese church to begin with. The people are credulous enough to believe some such rumors. This has its unfavorable effect upon the work generally.

The schools have now been in session more than a month. There are forty-five boys and twenty girls enrolled. Mr. Nieh, the Chinese principal, is conducting the work very efficiently in the boys' school and the co-eds'. The school is well organized and running smoothly. Pupils appear interested, and their parents when visiting the school are pleased.

The girls' school has been so unfortunate as not to have Miss Clapper in charge this fall. She is still at Ping Ting, under medical care. In her absence, Miss Hsieh has assumed charge of the school and is managing excellently. The teachers are constantly expressing their regret that Miss Clapper cannot be with them. They miss her help and advice, and are hoping so much that she may soon recover her health, so she can get back with them again.

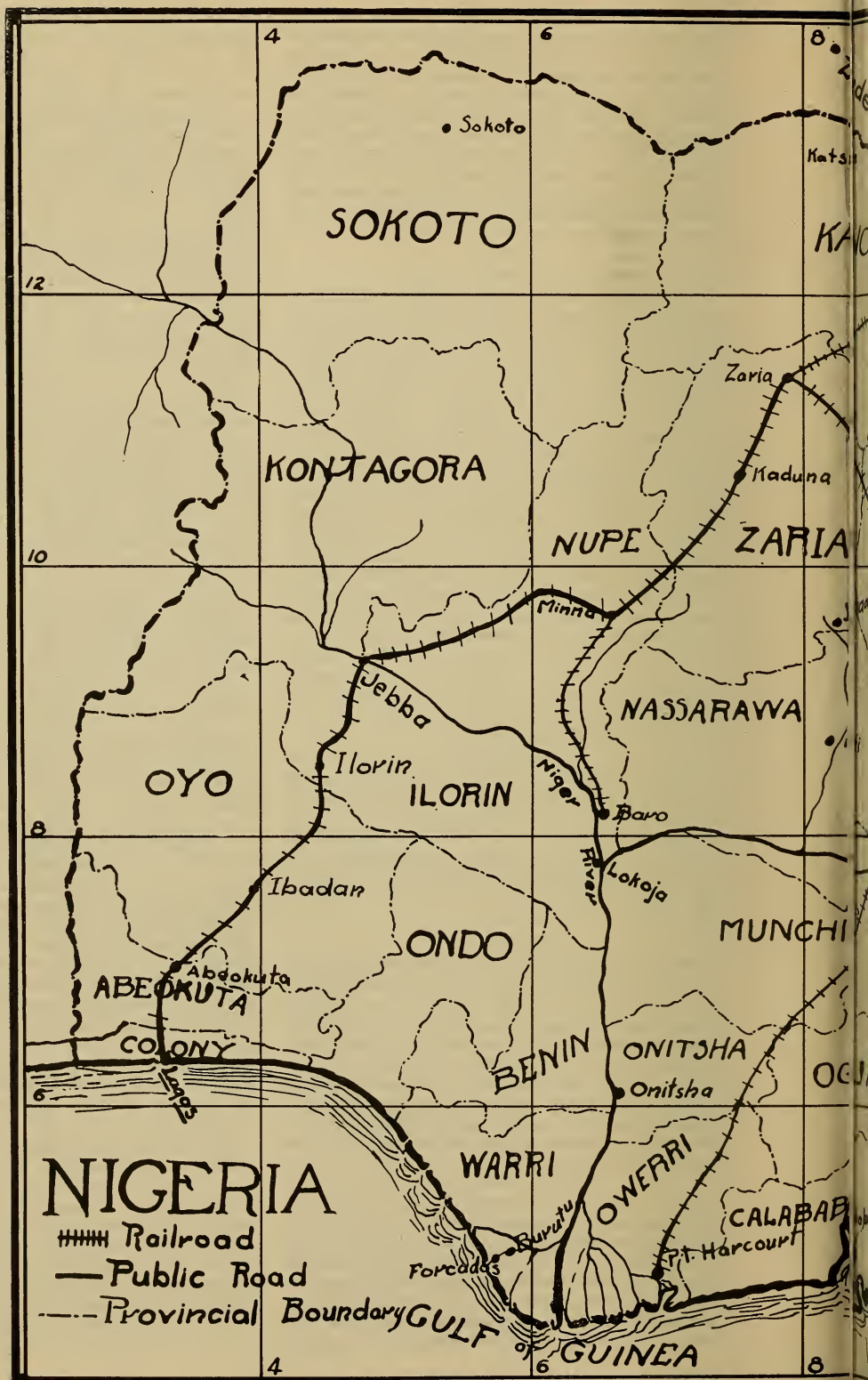
Because of the war and unsettled conditions many people are afraid to send their children away to school. The high tax for military purposes also makes it impossible for some to enter school who desire to do so. Therefore the enrollment in both Christian and government schools is small.

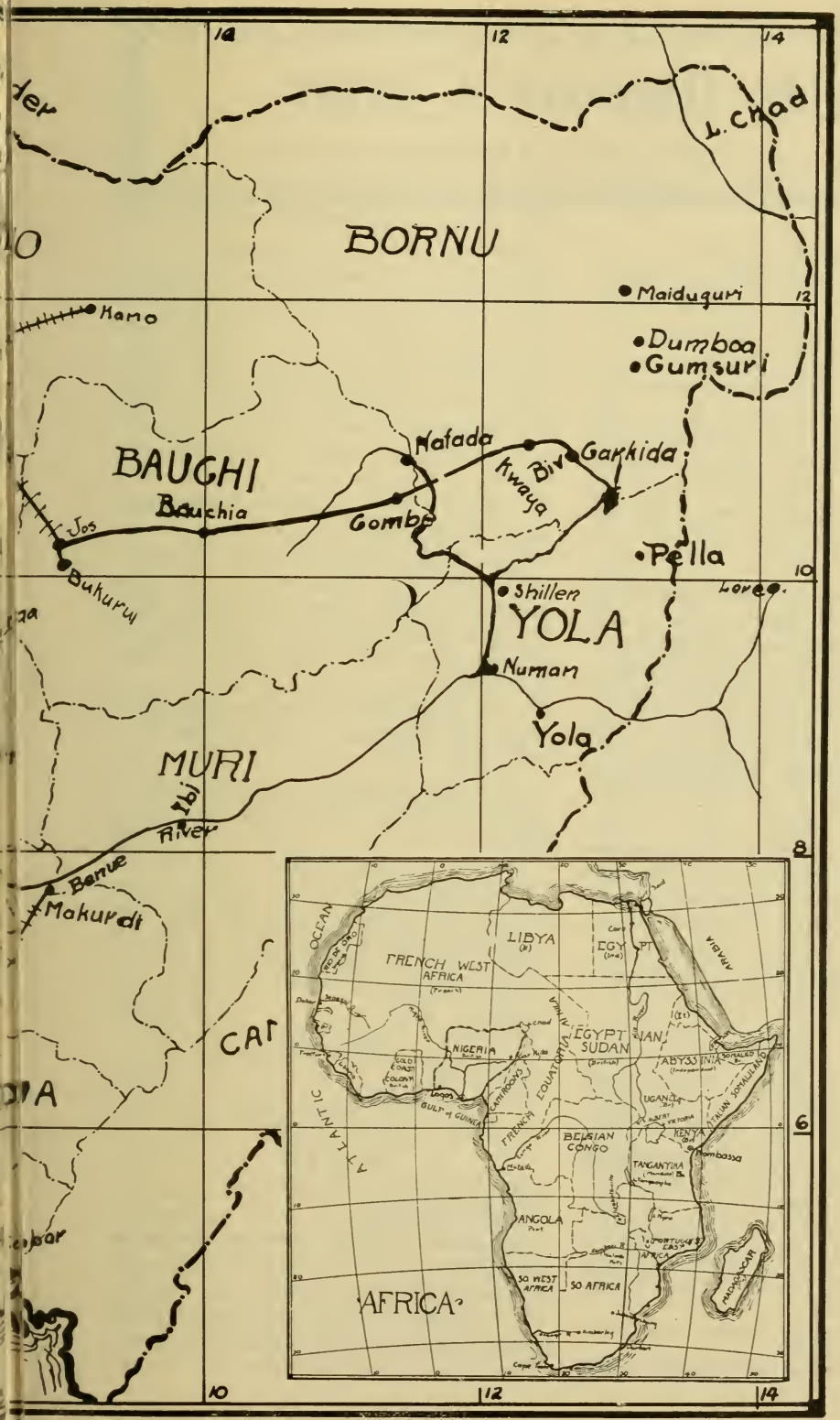
Evangelistic work among women this month has been limited for the most part to those homes which are not of the farmer class. Now that the harvest season is almost past we are planning to get out into the villages again.

In one of the village close to Shou Yang lives a little woman who, years ago in her childhood days, spent several years in a mission school in Tai Yuan. Her father was a Christian, but this little woman, while sympathetic, has never evidently understood enough of the teachings of Jesus to become his follower. She has for some reason a most forlorn face—sort of hopeless-looking. Her husband is most eager that she read again, and since she cannot come into the school twice a week we are taking school to her, hoping to help her to an understanding and knowledge of him who gives hope and peace to the heart. Will you join us in prayer for her?

The woman's school reopened Oct. 25 with an enrollment of five students, two of whom are doing only half-time work because of home and other duties. One of our students is a young Christian woman of fine character, who had the privilege of attending school in Tai Yuan before her marriage. She is so far in advance of the other women that arrangements have been made for her to attend classes in the higher primary of the girls' school. She is a young woman of splendid possibilities, and

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The Workers' Corner

The editor invites helpful contributions for this department of the Visitor

MISSIONARY NEWS

Brother F. C. Rohrer shows missionary slides in North Carolina. He writes the following paragraph in his letter:

"I am showing the slides here in the Jefferson School. We are enjoying our work in the Jefferson School, N. C. Also the work out at the church, eighteen miles out in the mountains. We hope that the slide pictures will not be only a temporary interest, but that by them the people may become better acquainted with the work of our church."

How One Missionary Committee Works. "I was greatly pleased with the Home Mission poster. I gave the accompanying story to my juniors, and they were much enthused. I think it the strongest appeal to the entire congregation of any posters received. We are planning the Africa Mission Study classes, as suggested by **headquarters,** and expect a good school. We enjoy the Missiongrams, which we give at the close of Sunday-school each month. We are planning to put on the Christmas program which you enclosed. Please send me the following materials: Christmas Programs, 12; special Christmas offering envelopes, 125. Thanking you, and praying for a continuation of your constructive mission work, I am yours truly."

Signed, Mrs. H. B. Wheeler, Ottawa, Kans.

Joy in Tithing. "Really, if all get as much joy out of tithing as we do, I think all would be tithers. We are now giving twelve and a half per cent. It is our plan to give at least $100 to missions. We should like to give more, but we have so many other calls for help and we try to help our school in its drives. We also give to many of the local churches we serve, to help them in their work."

Oliver H. Austin, 11-26-'26.

A Missionary Sunday-School Class. "The Conquerors' Class of the Pasadena Sunday-school, composed of girls from thirteen to fifteen years, is sending you a check for $26.34 to be applied on the Africa Hospital fund. This is the last of our offerings in 1925-1926. We gave a Thanksgiving dinner (1925) to a motherless Mexican family, dressed dolls and sent them along with picture post cards to India, gave money to the general school fund to be sent to the General Mission Board emergency fund, purchased a potted plant for the teacher, who was ill, paid four dollars for a chair at La Verne College, and we now wish the last of our money to go to the Africa Hospital. Trusting it will do a great deal of good, we commit it in your hands. Yours respectfully."

Mrs. L. D. Replogle, Teacher, 1925-1926.
Mrs. Mary Niswander, Assistant Teacher.
Pasadena, Calif.

Missionary Furloughs. Missionaries will return to America on furlough this year as follows:

India, 1927

J. E. Wagoner and family,
Fred Hollenberg and family,
Chalmer Shull and family,
Benj. Summer and family,
Sadie J. Miller,
Elizabeth Kintner.

China, 1927

Mary Cline,
Dr. D. L. Horning and family,
W. Harlan Smith and family.

China, 1928

Ernest Vaniman and family,
Emma Horning.

An Arbor of Pine Trees Serves as a Churchhouse. R. K. Showalter, who is serving the church at Rosepine, La., recently held a ten days' meeting at Pleasant View, a community about four miles from Rosepine. There are about twenty members at

Pleasant View, but no church building; so with nature's gifts and a few days' work they soon had a meeting place ready. The floor was carpeted with pine straw; the pews were made of pine boards nailed to blocks of wood; "the roof which forms the ceiling has that restful green color of nature, for it is made of pine brush, and the pulpit cannot be described—it has to be seen to be appreciated." Some disagreeable weather interfered with the meeting, but in spite of the handicaps there were some good services.

At a recent meeting of the District Mission Board of Louisiana steps were taken to build a small church to take the place of the arbor. They plan to have the church ready by spring.

Africa Mission Study

The churches are laying plans for the promotion of Africa mission study, beginning Jan. 9. The outline of the course appeared in the October Visitor. Bro. A. D. Helser's new book, "In Sunny Nigeria," is the text to be used. Considerable supplementary material will be furnished in the Visitor, Messenger, and Our Young People. "In Sunny Nigeria" costs $1.50, postpaid. Arrangement has been made that in lots of ten or more to one address the book can be secured from the Brethren Publishing House, Elgin, Ill., for $1. Thus far approximately 2,000 copies have been sold, and the book has been on the market only since last May. This unusual demand for the volume speaks much for the satisfaction it offers as a good missionary book. Many letters like the following are received concerning it:

"We, the Aid Society, have sold twenty-five of Bro. Helser's books. We find the book very helpful in our D. V. B. S. mission study. Many enjoy the book.

"Mrs. Orion Erbaugh, Trotwood, Ohio."

News from Southern Illinois District Meeting Minutes. Allison Prairie and La Motte Prairie, in Southern Illinois, are served by Brother and Sister C. I. Weber, who have started their second term. They report a Sunday-school enrollment of 85, with an average attendance of 58 at Allison Prairie; also 7 baptized during the year during a revival held by Bro. John Wieand. At La Motte Prairie there is a membership of but 23, who have averaged $6 per member offering to general missions during the last year in addition to taking care of all local and District requirements. La Motte Prairie has a Sunday-school enrollment of 50, with an average attendance of 30.

Religious Education in the Near East. Under the direction of Dr. H. H. Meyer and members of native churches a study of the characteristics and needs of different age groups was made of the orphanages and camps. Three groupings were decided upon —6 to 9 years, 10 to 13 years, and a young people's group above 13 years. The writers who are selected to prepare lesson material for these three groups respectively are, Elizabeth Harris, Marguerite Skidmore, and Mary Nenness. Plans are on foot to get members of the Greek Orthodox Church to collaborate in the preparation of materials.

BUILDING A CHURCH BUDGET

Note.—Last summer in the Camp Harmony Training School, Pa., the girls studying in the missionary methods class built budgets for their local churches. The following one by Miss Simmons is built on the basis that all the members of her church would tithe. While this program would seem to be the ideal rather than the actual, yet this budget presents a model well worth the attention of churches in planning their church finances:

There are 125 families in our church and we decided (Rev. Detwiler and I) that the average family made at least $1,000 a year. If one-tenth was given to the Lord it would amount to $12,500.

We decided to go on the fifty-fifty basis. If we do this we will have $6,250 for ourselves at home and $6,250 for others.

This is the budget for ourselves:

Salary	$2,500
Delegates to various meeting	200
Building fund	2,500
Light and fuel	100
Equipment	150
Paid to General Conference	100
Religious education	500
Miscellaneous expenses	200
Total	$6,250

The budget for others:

World-Wide Missions	$3,000
Home missions	1,500
Education	1,500
Various charities	250
Total	$6,250

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The Women's Department

Conducted by Nora M. Rhodes

Women's Missionary Societies

LADIES' MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF DENTON, MD.

Mrs. J. A. Seese

AT an invitation from Brother and Sister Arnold, our pastor and wife, in January, 1925, about twenty-five of the ladies of the Denton Church of the Brethren met at their home for the purpose of organizing a Missionary Society.

Sister Arnold was chosen president, with Mary Rairigh vice-president. It was decided to hold a meeting the second Saturday of each month at the home of one of the members, taking them alphabetically. Since that time we have had a meeting each month. Some of the members have not missed a meeting, and the attendance generally has been good.

Our aim in effecting this organization has been to obtain a larger outlook on the world as a field for God's work, and thus get a clearer vision of what we as a church and as individuals may do.

At each meeting a program along missionary lines has been given, after which the hostess serves the guests with simple refreshments. Our programs have been varied, such subjects as "The Home," "Home Missions," "Particular Foreign Fields," "Negro Churches," and "Indians" have been discussed. The society subscribed for The Missionary Review of the World, and much valuable information is obtained from this magazine. We also purchased two books, "Prayer and Missions," by Helen Barret Montgomery, and "Peasant Pioneers," by Kenneth D. Miller. We have completed the study of "Prayer and Missions" and found it a very fine book.

Sept. 11 we had the good fortune to have Sister Anna Hutchison of China with us. She told us of the homes of China. We hope to have other returned missionaries give us talks.

At our meeting in October our members were divided into three groups, making ten members in each group. Each group selected a missionary on the field and at a definite time each day all in that group pray for that missionary. We expect to see great results from united prayer, and each of us will be an intercessory missionary.

WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION IN THE CHICAGO CHURCH

Mrs. J. W. Lear

The influence of Christian women in the church and in the world is one of the strongest forces for righteousness. As we saw the many avenues for service, and the capable women whose talents often seem to lie dormant, we thought it well to start a movement that would challenge the best talent and possibilities of all, from the oldest to the youngest. The work of other denominations was studied and the following plan was decided upon and put into effect:

A general organization was named the Women's Society, with a president, vice-president and secretary-treasurer. A constitution and by-laws were drawn up and adopted. All women and girls are included in this society, and we aim to meet once each quarter for a time of fellowship and social intercourse.

Under this general society we have a number of branch societies, in which every one can select the kind of work that suits her taste and convenience. We have the Sisters' Aid Society, in which many of the older sisters and some of the younger enjoy working. Then we have a number of young women, who are clerks or young mothers, who are kept at home by little ones during the day, but can get away in the evening. This group met, organized, and named

themselves the Dorcas Circle. They are a branch of the Aid Society, do most of the fancy work, and have made quite a contribution to our semiannual sales.

Perhaps the most important branch we have started is the Women's Missionary Society. Their purpose is to study home and foreign missions and stewardship, have talks by returned missionaries and other inspirational speakers, and assist in personal work and evangelism wherever possible.

We have also organized a Mothers and Daughters' Association, through which we hope to help raise the ideals of the homes, not only of our own people but of the foreign born in our community.

The Moentita girls are organized and working under the Board of Religious Education, but they meet with us in our general meetings of the Women's Society and have a large place on the programs.

DAY OF PRAYER FOR MISSIONS

Friday, March 4, 1927

Again the Day of Prayer for Missions draws near. Every year sees a wider fellowship of believing women drawn into this united prayer for missions throughout the whole earth. It is hoped that the purpose for which this day has been established may be held in mind. It is a day of prayer for missions and missionaries throughout the world.

Let the women of the Church of the Brethren plan to meet on that day and send up their prayers, along with the prayers of other Christian women, for the promotion of the work in God's great harvest field.

Programs for the day, entitled "Pray Ye Therefore," may be had at 2 cents each; $1.75 per 100. Order from General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill.

CHINA NOTES

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we hope she will be permitted to complete the higher primary school work.

One of the young women who entered school earlier in the fall went home to help her father with the harvest, and must now wait until after the celebration of the third year since the death of one of her husband's family, before she can reënter school.

Just as these notes are being written another of the young women comes to ask leave of absence, that she may return to her mother's home and help in the celebration of a month-old baby.

It is not easy to get women interested in reading, but once they do get interested, there are so many things to come in their way and hinder their progress. Sometimes it is the mother-in-law who objects; sometimes the husband or the father-in-law, as is the case with one bright young woman who at one time was in our girls' school a month. She had just a taste and now she wants more, but her father-in-law says "No."

Tai Yuan

We are well started in our routine of work. The different Bible classes and discussion groups are well established, and the interest seems good. The classes come mostly from the schools of the city. Tai Yuan is quite a center for learning, there being over two thousand students in the various schools of the city. Some of the classes come from the older men of the city, as for example the men of the postoffice. This particular class is very anxious to learn the correct manners and customs of other lands, especially those of America.

Our Girls' School opened the first of the month, with Mrs. Chen in charge. She is the wife of one of the Y. M. C. A. secretaries. They were married the last of September at the Y. M. C. A. He is engaged with Mr. Ikenberry in student work in the city. We have five more students than we had last year, with a possibility of more.

On Oct. 30 we had a tea to introduce Mrs. Chen to the mothers and women, and also to plan for our winter classes. We were very fortunate to have with us Miss Dunning, who sang for us.

Last Thursday at the Women's Institute Mrs. Ikenberry illustrated several songs with lecturers' chalk, which seemed very much appreciated. After the program one of the ladies came and asked, if she bought the paper, would Mrs. Ikenberry please come to her home and draw a picture?

The Chinese members of our church are looking forward with much pleasure to the proposed visit of Brethren Bonsack and Yoder. They are anxious to meet and talk over plans with these brothers from America.

FINANCIAL REPORT

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Harold Bowman,	20.79
Nebraska—$57.70	
Bethel Cong. for R. C. Flory,	57.70
Ohio—$458.93	
N. E. Dist., Owl Creek Cong. for Lola Helser, $40.38; Olivet S. S. for A. D. Helser, $32.53,	72.91
N. W. Dist., Pleasant View S. S. for Ellen H. Wagoner,	250.00
So. Dist., Salem Cong. for Minnie F. Bright,	136.02
Pennsylvania—$858.50	
E. Dist., White Oak Cong. for Ruth B. Mallott, $150; "Helping Hand" Class, Lebanon S. S. (Midway) for Alberta Sollenberger, $37.50,	187.50

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Conducted by Aunt Adalyn

The Story of Patali (Potter-lee)

ANETTA C. MOW

PATALI was born in a little village by the name of Gadat about eleven years ago. She was the youngest child in the family. While still a very little girl, her father died; later her brothers died, and when she was only five years old her mother also was taken away. The mother took suddenly sick after eating one day, and soon died. Thus Patali and her older sister were left all alone. The two little girls did not know what to do, but finally some neighbors helped them through their sorrow and a few days later relatives from other villages came to take these two little girls to their own homes. Kahali was taken off to one village and Patali to one in the opposite direction.

Patali did not enter a very happy family. The mother in the home did not love Patali. All she wanted was to have Patali work hard and care for her four children. Day after day for a whole year Patali was very sad, for, try as she would, she could not please the mother. Many times she was scolded and beaten, and the welts on her body told the story of her unhappy life.

One day, when Patali had been in this home nearly a year her sister came to see her. Her sister came from the mission girls' school at Vyara, fifteen miles away, for some time during the year she had run away to school. This sister told Patali how she liked to live at the school, and what a happy home it was for her, and she wanted Patali to come along back to the school with her. Patali was only too glad to go with her bigger sister, but how could she get away from the home she was in?

The sisters talked and planned, and decided at length that Kahali should wait under a big tree up the road until Patali should meet her; then they would walk the fifteen miles to the mission school. Although they thought they had planned well, their scheme was discovered, and before Patali reached the big tree she saw the woman coming up behind, and the man hasting across a field to catch her. She quickly slipped into a small creek bed and lay quiet until the woman had gone on beyond her. Then she arose and returned to the house, trying to act as though nothing strange had happened. She knew she must wait for another and better chance. When the man returned to the house he said, "Patali, where did you go?" And Patali said she had chased two jackals away from the chickens!

Not long afterwards, perhaps a week later, one evening Patali was sent out to gather "charn"—this, you know, is used to plaster floors in India. She wandered about here and there, and when she had filled the basket on her head, she started home. As she passed by an old man's hut, which was occupied by the father of the woman she worked for, she decided to stop in for a drink of water because she felt tired and thirsty. The old grandfather was kindly disposed toward the little girl, and he sympathized many times when his daughter punished her. He was glad to give her a drink and he said, "You just stay here with me and my other daughter tonight and eat supper with us."

Patali felt he was her friend, and so it did not take much coaxing to get her to stay. She enjoyed her supper, even if it was a meagre meal. And the old man asked many questions. Although he knew where the older sister was, he asked, "Patali, where is your sister Kahali now?" And Patali told him all the story which her older sister had told her the week before about the big mission school, where dozens of girls came and stayed. The grandfather

listened to it all, and then he said, "It sounds as though your sister likes to stay in that school. Now wouldn't you like to go there too and stay with Kahali?" "Oh, yes," said Patali, "I do want to go, and I tried to go along with Kahali last week, but could not get away in time." And then the old man said a most surprising thing to Patali, which made her open her eyes wide and clap her hands for joy. It was something which very few old people ever say in this land. He said, "I'll tell you what we'll do. If you want to go to school, I'll take you there. I'll take you right away before anybody finds it out. I'll call you very early in the morning, and we'll start off to school while it is still dark."

Patali was so happy she could scarcely fall off to sleep, and she thought over and over what a dear grandfather he was. Finally she did go to sleep and it seemed but a few minutes later when she was awakened and told it was time to start. She was up and ready to go in a minute, for Patali didn't need to spend any time dressing. She had on every thread of clothing she possessed, which consisted of two small old rags—one was wrapped about the hips and the other was thrown over the head. They were soon on the road, and it was a long, long road for a little girl of Patali's age and size. The name Patali means "thin" and "lean," and Patali was true to her name. Some time during the afternoon they reached the school.

A group of laughing, curious girls met Patali at the gate and asked all sorts of questions. Learning that she was Kahali's little sister, they led her quickly into the grinding-room where Kahali was grinding at the mill. How surprised the big sister was! And all she could ask was, "How did you come? How did you get here?"

How nice everything seemed at the school! Everything was clean and comfortable. There were many new things to see. What could that box be hanging on the wall which said "tick tock" all the time? And what a strange thing to have a tall framework standing over a well with a huge wheel on top spinning in the breeze! But it did pump water so nicely. In fact, everything was new and queer, but Patali liked it all because her big sister was with her to explain everything.

The very first day she found out that Jumnabai, the matron, was a real mother to her. She loved her. Right away she got a good bath and was given a few clean clothes; and the matron cut off her matted pigtail, which was all she had on the very crown of her head.

Patali started to study, sitting in the primary class. Learning words and finding out how to count, playing games and sitting in prayers were all so different from the things she had had to do in the village. And here everyone was so kind to her!

One day about two weeks later, the big sister came running to say, "O Patali, hide, for the woman is coming past the bungalow straight out to the school. She'll try to take you back with her." And Patali ran! She darted into the matron's room and crept under the bed, which was behind a curtain. How quiet she tried to be! Sure enough, the woman came to the school and right in behind the latticed veranda without knocking or asking permission. She talked very loud. A lot of girls gathered around to hear what she had to say. She declared she had come to get Patali and take her back home. But all the girls looked very innocent and didn't say a word. The matron tried to talk to the woman, but she would not listen. She said she'd search the place and because she happened to be in front of the matron's door, she started to rush into the very room where Patali was hiding. The matron caught hold of her, saying, "That is my room, and you may not enter without permission." Then all the girls' mouths were opened and in a chorus they told the woman she could not enter the matron's room. Just imagine how very still Patali must have been under the bed! Finally the racket quieted down and the woman went away, but Patali had been so quiet so long she fell off to sleep and lay under the bed until the matron came and wakened her. This was the last time that woman ever came to the school, but the old grandfather who had brought Patali to school came to see her now and then, and every time he came he brought some mangoes or dates for her.

Patali came to school four years ago, and she has stayed there ever since. The school has become her home and she does not care to go out to that village, because none

of her friends live there. Every year she has passed and now studies in the fourth grade. Two years ago she accepted Jesus as her Savior and was baptized.

When little Lois Mow came to live at Vyara, Patali loved to come to the bungalow to play with Lois and wheel her about in the baby carriage. In this way she was a great help to the Madam Sahib, who was studying every day. Patali was so careful with the baby and showed such concern that this year the Madam Sahib asked that Patali come to Landour in the Himalaya Mountains and again be a companion for Lois.

As this story is being written Patali is still up in the mountains. This has been a wonderful experience for her. Before coming to school she had never seen a train, so to make a trip of one thousand miles on the railroad was something never to be forgotten. Climbing steep mountain sides and seeing the great snow-clad peaks, watching oceans of clouds float beneath her, eating new fruits, meeting strange peoples, observing new customs, passing through large cities—even the capital of India—all together made a new world for Patali. Although but eleven years old she has caught a larger vision and understands many things about which her schoolmates have never dreamed. Just the other evening Patali said, "I want to go on in school just as far as the Miss Sahib will send me, and I want to be strong and useful." The Miss Sahib has high hopes that some day Patali will be a nurse, with strong kind hands to minister to her needy India sisters.

A Study in Black

AUNT ADALYN

See what happens when you jump into the middle of things! The youngsters hustling for Liao Chou have certainly made a big splash! But isn't it fun to watch them throw water over each other, and dive, and wriggle, and come up with a big grin! Once a man had himself fastened up in a barrel, and then went dashing over Niagara Falls. Wasn't he foolish? But here's a barrel one of the kiddies brought, and it's crammed full of money. And he wants to cram another barrel. But it isn't going over Niagara Falls. He's going to buy a missionary, or some doctor's instruments, or a clean little white bed, or a box of soap, or a playground with swings and slides! And he's as happy as a lark over it.

Do you know what makes folks happy? It's giving some of yourself away. Have you noticed how gayly the raindrops chase each other down from the sky to wet the wheat fields? And how liberal the sun is with his beams? And how the brooks run away down the hill to make green pastures? And how the apple trees bend down over your head, begging you to relieve them of their load?

And a queer thing it is, that if you take, and take, and keep, and keep, and never give anybody anything, you'll soon dry up, and nobody will think you are nice.

But now that Liao Chou has been quite thoroughly rehearsed, we will put on an African enterprise—a **black** program, if you please. Look at the gorgeous outline of handwork which has been planned for you in this number of the Visitor for the next three months. Look also in Our Boys and Girls, issue of Jan. 15, for the Lesson Study beginning Jan. 30, and see what mighty things are expected of you! But you are able for it. Who ever heard of kiddies falling down on a job when their heart was in it?

This is going to be the busiest, breeziest, gladdest, toughest, growingest, hopefulest affair some of you have ever tackled. And when you have knocked over the last obstacle, and have made your goal, clap a red postage stamp on an envelope and write the editor about it. Results will be compared, and every fellow (a girl can be a fellow too) who crosses the tape will be entitled to wear a big "H" across his breast—meaning "Happiness." Now, all ready, bang!

Junior League African Handwork

FLOYD AND RUTH MALLOTT
Edited by Minna Heckman

IN the study of Africa, it is hoped that the boys and girls of our Brotherhood will learn more about that vast continent than they have ever known before. But more important than this knowledge is the sympathetic interest in and love for the dark-skinned people that will come from the study of their lives. Then, too, the juniors should have an interest in the great missionary enterprise of the church, and their help and enthusiasm for this work should be enlisted while they are young.

Aim of the Course

The aim can best be stated as a problem. It is this: why should we have missions in Africa? This question the leader should keep constantly before him, and the goal for the course is its solution in the minds of the pupils. When people once sense a great need they are usually ready to help meet it. And if our juniors see this need they will help now with their work and perhaps later with their lives.

Method of Procedure

There is a problem to be solved with each lesson. This does not need to be stated as such to the pupils, but a set of questions with each lesson should lead the pupils to thinking along this line until they have gotten the point of the lesson. These questions with the reading should be assigned a week ahead.

Handwork

Handwork will be suggested under the head of projects. The leader may choose the one best suited to the group. If there is a large enrollment, all three may be carried out with different groups. Project No. 3 has been planned for the Primaries. If there are children of this age they will find this work suited to their capacities.

The leader should be perfectly familiar with source material. In raising questions there will be an interest aroused in reading and the leader should have plenty of it to suggest.

Books and Materials to Be Used

Our Boys and Girls, 60 cents per year, single copy; five or more copies, 40 cents.
Missionary Visitor, $1 per year.
"In Sunny Nigeria," A. D. Helser. Single copies, $1.50. (Ten copies to one address, $10.00.)
Map of Africa, 28″x32″, price 25 cents.
Maps of Africa 5″x5″, per dozen 15 cents.
"The Book of Missionary Heroes," Basil Matthews; Pub. H. Doran, $1.50.
"Book of an African Baby," Mary Entwistle. M. E. M., 40c.
"Across Africa with Livingstone," game, 60 cents. M. E. M.
"Children of Africa," post card painting book. Elsie Anna Wood. M. E. M., 60c.
Picture—"The Hope of the World," 35c and companion book of stories, "They Love Him Too," 10c.

Helpful Books for the Pupils' Reading

"Livingtone the Pathfinder." Basil Matthews, $1.00.
"Uganda's White Man of Work." Fahs, $1.00.

Jan. 30. Nigeria, the Land

Problem: To become acquainted with the country that is the home of the colored race.

Questions:

Locate Nigeria on the map of Africa.

What is the capital of Nigeria?

How many black-skinned people live in this land?

What kind of climate have they in this land? What kinds of fruit grow here?

What are the usual health conditions in this sort of a climate?

What kinds of animals live here?

What has the white man done to improve this country?

What other improvements do you think could be made?

Project No. 1

This is to be a notebook project. Into the book should be put something illustrating each lesson. The first evening a map of Africa may be drawn for the book. If time permits the different provinces may be colored.

Project No. 2

A relief map may be made of paper pulp. For these maps the leader should have the maps already drawn and the pulp ready to be applied. For the Sahara Desert the wet pulp may be covered with sand. The pulp piled into pyramids will represent Egypt. Fine pieces of green paper mixed with the pulp will show dense vegetation in other parts of the country. Trees of heavy paper set up in the pulp identify the forests. A little wooden slab set up on the east coast will mark the grave of Bro. J. H. B. Williams. A little white church of paper will mark the site of the mission.

(Note. Instructions for the paper pulp. Tear a quantity of newspaper into fine pieces and cover with boiling water. Let this stand for twenty-four hours. At the end of that time the water should be drained off and the pieces of paper rubbed to a fine pulp. To a quart of this mixture add a bottle of glue or some boiled flour paste.)

(See map, page 16)

This is a map designed to make Nigeria a definite location and to give a definite idea of the place in Nigeria of our mission. "Somewhere in Africa" is too indefinite a place to study. Any small map of Africa will do, although to make the map about the size of a sheet of typewriter paper would be preferable. If desired, the teacher can prepare the outline of Africa by using tracing paper, as many sheets as are needed. Each child should draw in the map of Nigeria if he does not draw the continental map. Locate Lagos (where our missionaries land and capital of Nigeria), Jos (the end of our railroad), the Hawal, Benue, and Niger Rivers, and Garkida.

Project No. 3

The younger group may make a poster like figure two. Each one can cut out a part and the whole then be assembled and hung in their room. If the crepe paper is not available any paper of the right color will do.

Jungle Poster

A sheet of blue matstock is pasted to a black matstock backing leaving a half inch border. Dennison crepe paper No. 61 is slightly crushed and is used for the ground. Actual little palm trees of No. 46 green crepe paper and No. 72 brown crepe paper are fastened to the poster. Points of green paper represent the tall grass in which the animals cut from decorated crepe paper No. 17 are hidden. Bits of green chipped paper are scattered around the bottom and bright moon of orange matstock completes the jungle scene.



Figure 2

References

Our Boys and Girls for January 16, 1927.
"In Sunny Nigeria," Chapters 1 and 2.
Map of Africa.
Picture, "The Hope of the World."
Life of Livingstone if available.

Feb. 6. Nigeria, the People

Problem: To become acquainted with the people who live in Nigeria.

Questions:

Again locate Nigeria on the map of Africa.

What is the meaning of "tribe"?

What is a province?

What are the chief provinces of Nigeria?

In which province is our mission located? Locate on the map.

What are the chief occupations of the people?

Why do you suppose there is so much war between the tribes?

Would schools, good roads and churches help the people to understand each other better? How?

Project No. 1

The African house may be cut from brown construction paper like the illustration, for the notebook. A fence could also be cut out to paste in front of the house to show how the compounds are made. A small palm tree could be placed at the side.

Project No. 2

A group project may be started now on an African house and compound. A couple of round hat boxes should be secured for the houses and a piece of plaster board about a yard square used for the base which becomes the compound. The fronts of the houses may be cut away so that the inside may be seen. The outside of these houses may be covered with paper pulp or clay. Large half circles of cardboard can be



Burra Compound

used for the roofs. These should be fastened with paper fasteners and then covered with grass, hay or raffia. The inside should then be covered with homemade clay. A coat of glue should be added first so that the clay will stick. These houses may be fastened down securely to the base of plaster board. They may be glued or fastened down with paper fasteners near the edge of the board. If desired, a porch may be built in front of the woman's house as suggested in the notes.

(Note: Homemade clay can be made by mixing two cups of flour with a cup of salt and two teaspoons of powdered alum. These ingredients are to be mixed dry and then enough water is to be added to make a pliable clay. To give a touch of color a little water color paint may be added or some bluing, cake coloring or butter coloring.)

Project No. 3

The younger group may make clay or construction paper houses. For the latter, a strip of brown construction paper 2"x8" may be used. The ends of this may be glued together to make a cylinder. A half circle may be used for the roof and the house finished according to the illustration.

There are several of these houses in one compound and each adult has his own little house. A piece of plaster board or pine board will be a good base or ground. The rooms look like a small silo a little higher than a tall man and have a roof of grass that looks like an opened umbrella set on the top. There is one opening that is up several inches from the floor and oblong shaped. In the Burra house it is a very small opening and one must almost double up in order to get in.

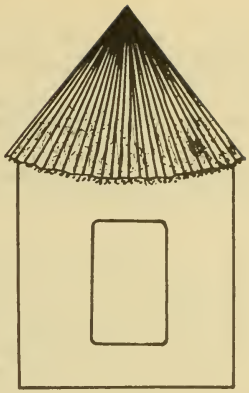


Figure 3

The inside walls are often plastered with bright colored clay.

Take a half circle of card board and join to make an umbrella-shaped background. The Burras make their roof frames from bamboo poles. Sew grass or hay on this background to make the roof thatched. The points that stick up at the cone are bound in a hard mass by string. This is set on top of the round house. If you wish a good proportion make the long diameter of your half-moon of card board 7-8 of the top circumference of your round house. Fig. 3 shows the result.

This is a woman's house; so in front of the door is a sort of shed-porch. The two sides are made of firewood piled in a neat crisscross. This is reserve firewood. The roof is flat and made from mats and palm leaves or cornstalks laid across rafters.

You can build this porch by laying neat ricks of smooth twigs for firewood and cover with braided grass mats, palm leaves cut from brown construction paper or tiny cornstalks.

References

Our Boys and Girls for January 23.
"In Sunny Nigeria," Chapter 25.

Feb. 13. The Burra Home

Problem: To find out the difference between the living conditions of the people of Nigeria and those of a Christian land.

Questions:

What is a compound? Describe an African Compound.

How many doors and windows have the houses? Why do you think that the African houses do not have more?

Why do the horses have better sleeping quarters than the women and children?

If the people knew more about sanitation, do you think the living conditions would change?

Describe African dishes.

How do the Africans cook their food? Do you think the African or American way better? Why?

What is contained in an African room?

Do you think healthful living conditions make people better?

Project No. 1

In this lesson the water and cooking jars illustrated may be cut from construction paper to be pasted in the notebook. The design may be put on with a sharp crayola. A knife, an axe and a hoe as described on page 129 of "In Sunny Nigeria" may be also cut out to put in the book. A description of these tools may be written in from the above book.

Project No. 2

In this project, the work will continue on the house. The jars are to be made of clay and the design put on with a sharp tool. A toothpick will do. Several extra jars should be made so that when dry a cupboard may be made as described in the notes. The fence should be started also. By fastening the house to the board near the edge, it can be made to serve as part of the compound wall. Stout little posts should be glued and nailed from the bottom, at the corners of the board. Three pairs of string should be fastened to the post, about two inches apart, the lowest pair an inch from the board. A piece of sliced cornstalk should be placed against the post, inside the opened pairs of string. These should then be tied and opened and another piece inserted. This process should be continued much as weaving is done until the compound is surrounded with a fence.

Project No. 3

The younger children may make little clay jars or they may paint the post cards of the set. These post cards show how to dress the people for the home.

Our Burra, "mbwa," needs water pots, cooking pots and calabashes, or gourds. The two former may be modeled from clay (they are easily made but if circumstances forbid cut them out of construction paper and paste to the wall). See Fig. 4 for water pot. See Fig. 5 for cooking pot.

The food is eaten from gourds. If you

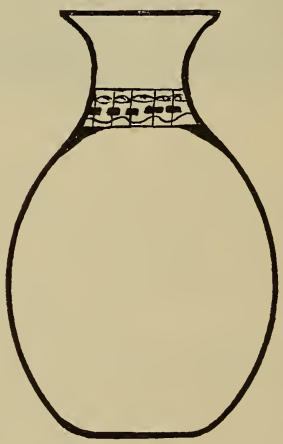


Figure 4



Figure 5

can get some little gourds cut in shapes like mixing bowls. They are marked with clever designs by a hot iron pencil. Some hold several gallons, others a half pint. Halves of nut shells or hollow acorn shells make good small calabashes.

An energetic woman will have several jars in her house. She will keep extra cloth in some. They are her storage bins for peanuts, salt, seeds for planting or dried herbs. Some have these jars set in mud to form a little cupboard or mud shelves with jars.

References

Our Boys and Girls for January 30.
"In Sunny Nigeria," Chapter XIX.
Post Card Paint Book.
"The Book of an African Baby," Chapter 1.

(Lessons beginning with February 20 will continue in next Visitor)

FINANCIAL REPORT

Conference Offering, 1926. As of November 30, 1926, the Conference (Budget) offering for the year ending February 28, 1927, stands as follows:
Cash received since March 1, 1926, ...$170,757.62
(The 1926 Budget of $382,775.00 is 44.6% raised, whereas it should be 75.%)

Mission Board Treasury Statement. The following shows the condition of mission finances on November 30, 1926:
Income since March 1, 1926, ...$205,407.77
Income same period last year, ... 206,654.48
Expense since March 1, 1926, ... 229,858.53
Expense same period last year, ... 216,150.64
Mission deficit November 30, 1926, ... 34,566.94
Mission deficit October 31, 1926, ... 32,164.83
Increase in deficit for November, 1926, ... 2,402.11

Tract Distribution: During the month of October the Board sent out 2,404 doctrinal tracts.

October Receipts: The following contributions for the various funds were received during October:

WORLD-WIDE MISSIONS

Africa—$50.00
Indv.: Wm. M. Beahm, ...$ 50.00

Arizona—$25.09
S. S.. Glendale, $15.09; Indv.: B. F. Glick, $10, ... 25.09

California—$64.11
No. Dist., Cong.: Elk Creek, $3.14; Irvin M. Kauffman (Modesto) $5; No. 92884 (Laton) $25; S. S.: Live Oak, $4; Modesto, $21.27, .. 58.41
So. Dist., Cong.: Hemet, $2, ... 2.00

Canada—$.50
Cong.: J. H. Brubaker (M. N.) (Bow Valley), ... .50

Colorado—$19.00
E. Dist., Cong.: Miami, ... 19.00

Florida—$20.14
S. S.: Sebring, ... 20.14

Illinois—$55.65
No. Dist., Cong.: Elgin, $21.86; Galen Barkdoll (Chicago) $2.50; S. S.: Rockford, $5.40; White Rapids, $1.35; Sterling, $15.83, ... 46.94
So. Dist., Cong.: Virden, $4.14; Romine, $4.57, ... 8.71

Indiana—$321.29
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Roann, $8.95; So. Whitley, $34.27; A Brother (Roann) $1; S. S.: Beaver Creek, $3.60; Loon Creek, $50; Markle, $3.51; District Aid Soc. Meeting, $19.47, ... 120.80
No. Dist., Cong.: Blue River, $1.50; La Porte, $12.73; Nappanee, $26.46; Baugo, $36.92; S. S.: Plymouth, $17.99, ... 95.60
So. Dist., Cong.: Anderson, $100.89; S. S.: Primary Class (Mississinewa) $4, ... 104.89

Iowa—$60.60
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Cedar, $3.37; E. O. Slater (Indian Creek) $26; S. S.: Pleasant View (Cedar) $2.76, ... 32.13
No. Dist., Cong.: Sheldon, $3.47; E. C. Whitmer & Wife (Curlew) $25, ... 28.47

Kansas—$136.09
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Washington Creek, $14; Wade Branch, $7.61; S. S.: Olathe, $10.22, ... 31.83
N. W. Dist., District Meeting, ... 44.72
S. E. Dist., Cong.: F. S. Waas (Fredonia) $25; S. S.: Scott Valley, $1.29, ... 26.29
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Mary E. Morelock and Mary G. Morelock (Monitor) $10; S. S.: Monitor, $16.38; Bloom, $6.87, ... 33.25

Maryland—$88.14
E. Dist., S. S.: Pleasant Hill (Bush Creek) $2.50; Blue Ridge College (Pipe Creek) $49.37; Long Green Valley $8.62, ... 60.49
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Brownsville, ... 12.65
W. Dist., Cong.: Bear Creek, ... 15.00

Michigan—$75.16
Cong.: Beaverton, $14.70; Zion, $4.50; S. S.: Lake View, $30.96; Indv.: G. Sprang, $5; Mrs. Harry Carmer, $20, ... 75.16

Minnesota—$1.00
Indv.: J. R. Suter, ... 1.00

Missouri—$5.00
Mid. Dist., Indv.: Elda Gauss, ... 5.00

Nebraska—$65.38
Cong.: Enders, $9.71; A Friend (Octavia) $4.45; S. S.: Enders, $1.29; So. Beatrice, $16.68; Afton, $30; Lincoln, $3.25, ... 65.38

North Dakota—$122.21
Cong.: Kenmare, $28.50; Zion (Cando) $73.68; Willow Grove (Englevale) $10.25; S. S.: Egeland, $6.43; Brumbaugh, $3.35, ... 122.21

Ohio—$322.37
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Goshen, $40; Kent, $10.83; Tuscarawas, $10.27; Canton City, $10; S. S.: Owl Creek, $7.66, ... 78.76
So. Dist., Cong.: Marble Furnace, $7; Georgetown, $20; Greenville, $19.50; Pleasant Valley, $5.39; Union City, $10; No. 92990 (West Branch) $50; Missy. Com. (Painter Creek) $85.10; S. S.: Harris Creek, $14.16; Pitsburg, $24.21; Castine, $4.25; Greenville, $4, ... 243.61

Oklahoma—$15.00
Cong.: Joseph Neher in memory of his mother (Oklahoma City) $10; Mrs. W. L. Schnur (Ames) $4; D. V. B. S.: Ames, $1, 15.00

Pennsylvania—$914.03
E. Dist., Cong.: Mechanic Grove, $10; Ridgely, $17.03; A Brother and Sister (Little Swatara) $50; David E. Fox (Harrisburg) $100; S. S.: Ephrata, $26.80; E. Fairview, $17.27; Heidelberg, $16.48; E. Petersburg, $11.32; Mountville, $21.20; Indian Creek, $13.79; Harrisburg, $22; So. Annville (Annville) $29.71; Longeneckers' (White Oak) $157.03; Paxton (Big Swatara) $14.25; "Willing Workers" Class, Ziegler's (Little Swatara) $5, ... 511.88
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Dunnings Creek, $15; 1st Altoona, $3; Burnham, $25; A Brother (Spring Valley) $25; A. B. Wakefield (Aughwick) $5; Geo. W. Rogers (M. N.) (Dunnings Creek) $.50; S. S.: Sugar Run (Aughwick) $6.47; Maitland (Dry Valley) $11.28; Yellow Creek, $6.08; Cherry Lane, $8.70; Curryville (Woodbury) $5.02, ... 111.05
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Germantown (Phila) $114.76; S. S.: Norristown, $15.01; Green Tree, $50; Quakertown, $22.08, ... 201.85
So. Dist., S. S.: Carlisle, $9.83; New Fairview, $19.85; Pleasant Hill (Codorus) $6.12; Melrose (Upper Codorus) $5.60; Brandts (Back Creek) $5.58, ... 46.98
W. Dist., Cong.: Rockton, $12.43; J. Clark Brilhart (Montgomery) $6.50; C. C. Sollenberger (Pleasant Hill) $.50; S. S.: Plum Creek, $12.78; Jr. Girls Class (Belle Vernon) $9.06; Indv.: J. Lloyd Nedrow (M. N.) $1, ... 42.27

Virginia—$187.95
E. Dist., Cong.: C. B. I. S. (Mt. Carmel) 9.41
First Dist., Cong.: Central Roanoke, $25; Mrs. Sallie Pursley (Mt. Joy) $4, ... 29.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Brandywine, $5.47; Damascus, $9.10; Moorefield, $1.52; Smiths Creek, $7.60; Sycamore (No. Mill Creek) $1.85; Bethel (No. Mill Creek) $2.97; Newport (Mt. Zion) $3; Bethlehem (So. Fork) $4.14; Mt. Carmel (So. Fork) $7.11; S. S.: Harrisonburg, $10.55, ... 53.31
Sec. Dist., S. S.: Sangerville, $5; Chimney

Run, $2.53; White Hill, $10, ... 17.53
So. Dist., Cong.: Antioch, ... 78.70

Washington—$31.00
S. S.: Sunnyside, $25; Mrs. C. M. Holdren (Yakima) $5; R. F. Hiner (M. N.) (Wenatchee Valley) $1, ... 31.00

West Virginia—$5.12
First Dist., Cong. & S. S.: Beaver Run, .. 5.12

Wisconsin—$3.31
S. S.: Stanley, $2.31; Indv.: S. E. W. of Hawkins, $1, ... 3.31

Total for the month, ...$ 2,584.44
Total previously reported, ... 40,302.33

Total for the year, ...$42,886.77

EMERGENCY FOR MISSIONS

Illinois—$13.43
No. Dist., Cong.: Louisa (Waddams Grove) $7.33; S. S.: Louisa (Waddams Grove) $6.10,$ 13.43

Kansas—$5.00
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Richland Center, ... 5.00

Louisiana—$13.03
S. S.: Roanoke, ... 13.03

Maryland—$92.17
E. Dist., S. S.: Westminster (Meadow Branch), ... 92.17

Ohio—$8.39
N. W. Dist., S. S.: No. Poplar Ridge, ... 8.39

Pennsylvania—$2.25
Mid. Dist., S. S.: James Creek, ... 2.25

South Dakota—$10.32
S. S.: Willow Creek, ... 10.32

Virginia—$17.74
Sec. Dist., S. S.: Bridgewater, ... 17.74

Total for the month, ...$ 162.33
Total previously reported, ... 896.46

Total for the year, ...$ 1,058.79

STUDENT FELLOWSHIP 1925-1926

Illinois—$134.00
No. Dist., Student Volunteers Bethany Bible School, ...$ 134.00

Virginia—$55.00
Sec. Dist., Student Volunteers Bridgewater College, ... 55.00

Total for the month, ...$ 189.00
Total previously reported, ... 2,378.28

Total for the year, ...$ 2,567.28

STUDENT FELLOWSHIP 1926-1927

Illinois—$10.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Chippewa Valley, $5; Nellie M. Senger (Chicago) $5, ...$ 10.00

Pennsylvania—$20.00
So. Dist., Cong.: M. Ada Douty (Sugar Valley) $10; L. Anna Schwenk (Sugar Valley) $10, ... 20.00

Virginia—$5.00
E. Dist., Cong.: O. R. Hersch (Mt. Carmel), ... 5.00

Total for the month, ...$ 35.00
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ...$ 35.00

AID SOCIETY FOREIGN MISSION FUND

Kansas—$6.50
S. E. Dist., Aid Soc.: Mont Ida, ...$ 6.50

Missouri—$13.80
Mid. Dist., Aid Societies at District Meeting, ... 13.80

Ohio—$47.04
N. E. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 47.04

Oklahoma—$5.00
Aid Soc.: Thomas, ... 5.00

Pennsylvania—$75.00
Mid. Dist., Aid Soc.: Lewistown, ... 25.00
S. E. Dist., Aid Soc.: First Philadelphia, 50.00

Virginia—$56.00
E. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 56.00

Total for the month, ...$ 203.34
Total previously reported, ... 3,077.68

Total for the year, ...$ 3,281.02

HOME MISSIONS

Kansas—$1.29
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Scott Valley, ...$ 1.29

Michigan—$50.00
Cong.: Sunfield (summer pastors), ... 50.00

South Dakota—$5.00..
Cong.: Willow Creek, ... 5.00

Total for the month, ...$ 56.29
Total previously reported, ... 676.57

Total for the year, ...$ 732.86

GREENE COUNTY, VIRGINIA, MISSION

Illinois—$32.91
No. Dist., Cong.: Louisa (Waddams Grove) $ 32.91

Iowa—$38.77
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Cedar Rapids, ... 38.77

Total for the month, ...$ 71.68
Total previously reported, ... 195.17

Total for the year, ...$ 266.85

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Kansas—$96.29
N. E. Dist., Cong.: McLouth, ...$ 96.29

Ohio—$3.87
So. Dist., S. S.: Middletown, ... 3.87

Pennsylvania—$38.99
E. Dist., Cong.: Naomi S. Rentschler (Maiden Creek), ... 23.00
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Harmonyville, ... 5.99
So. Dist., Cong.: Hershey's Store (York) 10.00

Total for the month, ...$ 139.15
Total previously reported, ... 3,722.33

Total for the year, ...$ 3,861.48

JUNIOR LEAGUE—1926

California—$60.84
No. Dist., S. S.: Intermediate Dept. (Empire), ...$ 60.84

Florida—$10.00
C. W. S.: Junior (Sebring)., ... 10.00

Idaho—$3.81
S. S.: Winchester, ... 3.81

Illinois—$33.07
No. Dist., Cong.: Douglas Park Mission (Chicago) $27.07; Dale and Valley Heisler (Shannon) $6, ... 33.07

Indiana—$16.00
No. Dist., S. S.: "Ever Ready" Class (LaPorte), ... 16.00

Iowa—$10.00
So. Dist., S. S.: "King's Daughters and Sons" of Junior Dept. (Council Bluffs), ... 10.00

Ohio—$16.91
So. Dist., S. S.: Pleasant Hill, ... 16.91

Pennsylvania—$10.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Frances Shaffer (Upper Conewago), ... 10.00

Total for the month, ...$ 160.63
Total previously reported, ... 364.07

Total for the year, ...$ 524.70

INDIA MISSION

Iowa—$65.60
No. Dist., C. W. S.: Waterloo City and Waterloo Country (So. Waterloo), ...$ 65.60

Michigan—$.10
Cong.: Beaverton, ... .10

Pennsylvania—$10.00
E. Dist., S. S.: "Truth Seekers" Class (Heidelberg), ... 10.00

Washington—$25.00
Cong.: No. 92752 (Wenatchee Valley), ... 25.00

Total for the month, ...$ 100.70

Total previously reported, ... 3,886.03

Total for the year, ...$ 3,986.73

INDIA NATIVE WORKER

Nebraska—$30.00
S. S.: "Count On Me" Class (Bethel), ..$ 30.00
New York—$10.00
Indv.: Prof. & Mrs. C. C. Madeira, ... 10.00
Ohio—$15.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Greenville, ... 15.00
Virginia—$20.00
Sec. Dist., Aid Soc.: Bridgewater, ... 20.00

Total for the month, ...$ 75.00
Total previously reported, ... 520.42

Total for the year, ...$ 595.42

INDIA BOARDING SCHOOL

Illinois—$21.00
No. Dist., S. S.: Louisa (Waddams Grove) $ 21.00
Ohio—$25.00
So. Dist., Y. P. D.: Salem, ... 25.00
Pennsylvania—$188.75
E. Dist., Cong.: "Right Hand" (Big Swatara) $100; S. S.: Midway, $32.25; C. W. S.: Ephrata, $35, ... 167.25
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Class No. 32 (1st Altoona), ... 17.50
So. Dist., Junior Missy. Society (Shippensburg), ... 4.00
Virginia—$30.00
No. Dist., S. S.: Cedar Grove (Cooks Creek), ... 30.00

Total for the month, ...$ 264.75
Total previously reported, ... 925.63

Total for the year, ...$ 1,190.38

INDIA SHARE PLAN

California—$87.25
No. Dist., Young People's Dept. (Modesto), $ 6.25
So. Dist., S. S.: "Loyal Bible Class" (Pasadena) $50; "Friendship Bible Class" (Pasadena) $31, ... 81.00
Kansas—$102.25
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Primary Dept. (Morrill), 35.00
S. W. Dist., S. S.: Conway Springs, $57.25; "Comrades Class" (Larned Rural) $10, ... 67.25
Maryland—$50.00
E. Dist., S. S.: "Berean Bible Class" (Pipe Creek) $25; "Willing Workers" Class, Westminster (Meadow Branch) $25, ... 50.00
North Dakota—$50.00
S. S.: Kenmare, Surrey, Berthold and Minot, ... 50.00
Ohio—$56.25
So. Dist., Cong.: Painter Creek, $50; S. S.: "Golden Rule" Class (Lower Stillwater) $6.25, ... 56.25
Pennsylvania—50.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Wm. P. Keim & Wife (Harmonyville), ... 25.00
W. Dist., S. S.: "Young People's Bible Class" Beachdale (Berlin), ... 25.00

Total for the month, ...$ 395.75
Total previously reported, ... 2,099.33

Total for the year, ...$ 2,496.08

DAHANU HOSPITAL BUILDING

Indiana—$50.63
No. Dist., S. S.: Junior & Primary Classes (Union Center), ...$ 50.63
Nebraska—$6.46
S. S.: Children (Afton), ... 6.46
North Dakota—$22.00
S. S.: Primary Dept. (Zion), ... 22.00
Oregon—$3.00
Cong.: Lorena Tucker (Weston), ... 3.00
Pennsylvania—$125.70
E. Dist., Cong.: David E. Fox (Harrisburg) $100; D. V. B. S.: Richland, $25.70, ... 125.70

Total for the month .....$ 207.79

Total previously reported, ... 1,016.20

Total for the year, ...$ 1,223.99

McCANN MEMORIAL CHURCH—INDIA

Maryland—$8.50
W. Dist., Cong.: Cherry Grove, ...$ 8.50

Total for the month, ...$ 8.50
Total previously reported, ... 69.73

Total for the year, ...$ 78.23

INDIA HOSPITALS

Pennsylvania—$25.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: J. M. Pittenger & Family (Huntingdon), ...$ 25.00

Total for the month, ...$ 25.00
Total previously reported, ... 41.76

Total for the year, ...$ 66.76

INDIA WIDOWS' HOME

Ohio—$2.00
So. Dist., Cong.: A. E. S. (New Carlisle) ..$ 2.00

Total for the month, ...$ 2.00
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ...$ 2.00

CHINA MISSION

Illinois—$35.62
No. Dist., Cong.: No 92896 (Pine Creek), ..$ 35.62
Iowa—$6.58
So. Dist., S. S.: Salem, ... 6.58
Kansas—$41.56
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Verdigris, $16; Scott Valley, $8.20; Grenola, $9.75; Mont Ida, $7.61, 41.56
Michigan—$.10
Cong.: Beaverton, ... .10
Ohio—$11.20
So. Dist., Cong.: Beaver Creek, ... 11.20

Total for the month, ...$ 95.06
Total previously reported, ... 3,296.72

Total for the year, ...$ 3,391.78

CHINA NATIVE WORKER

California—$42.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Inglewood, ...$ 42.00
Michigan—$5.12
S. S.: Sugar Ridge, ... 5.12
Ohio—$75.00
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Ashland Dickey, ... 75.00

Total for the month, ...$ 122.12
Total previously reported, ... 277.06

Total for the year, ...$ 399.18

CHINA BOYS' SCHOOL

Virginia—$1.00
E. Dist., D. V. B. S.: Evergreen (Mt. Carmel), ...$ 1.00

Total for the month, ...$ 1.00
Total previously reported, ... 28.49

Total for the year, ...$ 29.49

CHINA GIRLS' SCHOOL

Michigan—$.10
Cong.: Beaverton, ...$ .10
Ohio—$25.00
So. Dist., Y. P. D.: Salem, ... 25.00
Virginia—$1.00
E. Dist., D. V. B. S.: Evergreen (Mt. Carmel), ... 1.00

Total for the month, ...$ 26.10
Total previously reported, ... 25.15

Total for the year, ...$ 51.25

CHINA SHARE PLAN

Arizona—$9.70
S. S.: "Standard Bearers" and "Workers for Jesus" Classes (Glendale), ...$ 9.70

California—$6.25
No. Dist., S. S.: "Truth Seekers" Class (McFarland), ... 6.25
Missouri—$12.50
No. Dist., Aid Soc..: No. Bethel, ... 12.50
Pennsylvania—$93.75
E. Dist., Y. P. D.: Bareville (Conestoga), 50.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: "Sunny Sisters" and "Willing Workers" Classes, Curryville (Woodbury), ... 25.00
So. Dist., S. S.: "Always There" Class (Waynesboro), ... 18.75
Washington—$25.00
S. S.: Richland Valley, ... 25.00

Total for the month, ...$ 147.20
Total previously reported, ... 903.70

Total for the year, ...$ 1,050.90

LIAO CHOU HOSPITAL

Cuba—$24.00
Omaja Memorial Cong., ...$ 24.00

Total for the month, ...$ 24.00
Total previously reported, ... 110.50

Total for the year, ...$ 134.50

AFRICA MISSION

California—$49.77
No. Dist., S. S.: "Light Bearers" Class (Oakland) $20; Covina, $14.77, ...$ 34.77
So. Dist., Indv.: Brother & Sister Sheets, 15.00
Colorado—$.60
E. Dist., S. S.: Junior Girls' Class (Haxtun), ... .60
Indiana—$459.68
No. Dist., S. S.: Cyrus Steele's Class (Middlebury) $15.55; "Friendship" Class (1st So. Bend) $25; Y. P. D. of District, $419.13, ... 459.68
Kansas—$5.00
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Elizabeth Keener (Walnut Valley), ... 5.00
Michigan—$2.30
S. S.: Lake View, ... 2.30
Ohio—$44.02
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Goshen, $16.27; Unknown donor (Canton)) $20, ... 36.27
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Toledo, ... 7.75
Pennsylvania—$45.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Amwell, $10; S. S.: Harmonyville, $22, ... 32.00
W. Dist., Cong.: An Individual of Mt. Joy, 13.00
Virginia—$1.00
E. Dist., D. V. B. S.: Mountain Grove Chapel (Mt. Carmel), ... 1.00

Total for the month, ...$ 607.37
Total previously reported, ... 5,472.50

Total for the year, ...$ 6,079.87

NEAR EAST RELIEF

Oregon—$16.20
Cong.: Ashland, $13.50; Grants Pass, $2.70, $ 16.20
Pennsylvania—$30.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Ist Altoona, ... 30.00

Total for the month, ...$ 46.20
Total previously reported, ... 619.20

Total for the year, ...$ 665.40

FLORIDA TORNADO RELIEF

Pennsylvania—$14.25
E. Dist., S. S.: Easton (Peach Blossom), $ 14.25

Total for the month, ...$ 14.25
Total previously reported, ... 78.70

Total for the year, ...$ 92.95

CHURCH EXTENSION FUND

Illinois—$30.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Astoria, ...$ 30.00
Pennsylvania—$12.95
E. Dist., S. S.: Ridgely, ... 12.95

Total for the month, ...$ 42.95
Total previously reported, ... 35.60

Total for the year, ...$ 78.55

CONFERENCE BUDGET

California—$17.36
No. Dist., Cong.: Empire, $15; S. S.: Patterson, $2.36, ...$ 17.36
Indiana—$50.00
No. Dist., Cong.: New Paris, $40; Bremen, $10, ... 50.00
Michigan—$14.95
Cong.: Woodland, ... 14.95
Minnesota—$9.76
Cong.: Lewiston, $4.65; S. S.: Lewiston, $5.11, ... 9.76
Missouri—$26.41
No. Dist., Cong.: Shelby County, ... 26.41
Nebraska—$22.50
Cong.: Omaha, ... 22.50
Ohio—$125.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Poplar Grove, ... 125.00
Pennsylvania—$27.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Brooklyn, ... 22.00
W. Dist., S. S.: Rummel, ... 5.00
Virginia—$30.00
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Waynesboro, ... 30.00
Washington—$20.00
Cong.: Tacoma, ... 20.00

Total for the month, ...$ 342.98
Total previously reported, ... 49,881.36

Total for the year, ...$50,224.34

CONFERENCE BUDGET DESIGNATED

California—$1.09
No. Dist., Cong.: Elk Creek, ...$ 1.09

Total for the month, ...$ 1.09
Total previously reported, ... 140.07

Total for the year, ...$ 141.16

MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

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Miller, Sadie J., 1903
Moomaw, I. W., 1923
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Bulsar, Surat Dist., India

Alley, Howard L., 1917
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Blickenstaff, Lyon A., 1920
Blickenstaff, Mary P., 1920
Cottrell, Dr. A. Raymond, 1915
Cottrell, Dr. Laura M., 1913
Kintner, Elizabeth, 1919
Mohler, Jennie, 1916
Roop, Ethel, 1926
Shumaker, Ida C., 1910
Wagoner, J. Elmer, 1919
Wagoner, Ellen H., 1919

Dahanu Road, Thana Dist., India

Ebbert, Ella, 1917
Metzger, Dr. Ida, 1925
Nickey, Dr. Barbara M., 1915
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Miller, Eliza B., 1900
Mow, Baxter M., 1923
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Kaylor, John I., 1911
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Ebey, Adam, N. Manchester, Ind., c/o College, 1900
Ebey, Alice K., 1900
Forney, D. L., LaVerne, Calif., 1897
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Hoffert, A. T., 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1916
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Editorial

Alvin Cline had his automobile burned in the Greene County barn just after taking up work there. His associates in the work, challenged by his need, contributed enough money—some a whole month's salary—to replace the car. Bro. Cline, realizing the need of human souls, turned the money into the mission treasury.

One of our missionaries, home on furlough from India, received extensive medical attention at the hands of a Chicago surgeon who is at the top of his line in the surgical profession. Three months later the missionary asked for her bill, to which the doctor replied: "That was paid when you started to India."

In Africa, in the very section where we work, Arab slave raiders prior to the day of missions would burn villages at night, kill the old men, and carry off the able negroes for slaves. They were driven to the coast, herded into the foul, suffocating holds of ships, and conveyed to foreign slave markets. Thank God, this is changed since missionaries have been sent with the Gospel message!

CLOSING THE YEAR HONORABLY

I well remember hearing in my boyhood days the ministers say that the "word of a member of the Brethren church is as good as his bond." My mother in endeavoring to teach her children the value of veracity and honesty would often quote that same statement.

The Brethren had this reputation among dealers and business men generally, and many times have I overheard men say about our people, "If that man owes you you will get your money; he is a member of the Brethren church." This is an enviable reputation for anybody, and our people came into this relationship, not because they were members of a certain church, but because they as a group lived that sort of life. In other words, they earned the title by virtue of their behavior.

It is very essential that this generation carry on their business relations according to that same rule. In this day of grab and greed, society needs a larger group of people who think more of principle than of self. We will do well as a church to continue diligently this teaching and practice.

Obligations with the Lord should be just as sacredly kept as those with our fellows. Don't you think so? What is our obligation to him? That would be hard to compute. Much more than we pay I am sure. But here is a concrete case. Suppose we look at it a bit:

At Winona Lake, Ind., in 1925, our Conference delegates decided on a program of work for the Lord which required $382,775 to promote. This amount was to be raised in 1926-27. The delegates from the fifty Districts and delegates from the various churches approved the amount and we call it our Conference Budget. The fiscal year ends Feb. 28. The question is, will the same principle be applied on an obligation of this kind? What will our Father think of us if we agree to spend a certain sum for his cause and then grow indifferent about meeting it?

In order to meet this obligation as Christian people would like to do, we are requesting churches in our Brotherhood to make the month of February, and especially the third Sunday, a time of prayer for the consecration and sacrifice that will balance the account without a deficit. We cannot meet this worthy obligation without the help of all. It would not be fair for some others to do your share. All together is the slogan. Let us make good with God the reputation we have among men. The time is February. Let the third Sunday of February be a red-letter day; a day of rejoicing that we have successfully met the demands of the Conference budget.

When sending your remittance designate it for the Conference Budget, and send to Clyde M. Culp, Treasurer, 22 So. State St., Elgin, Ill.

J. W. Lear.

Kingdom Difficulties in China

CHARLES D. BONSACK
Secretary General Mission Board

A CHINESE University student asked us why it seemed so **easy** to do wrong and required **effort** to do right. I told him that this is one reason why I believe the Bible to be from God. Its message is verified in nature. Weeds and thistles grow without cultivation, but the life-giving grains require an uptorn soil, selected seed, and the untiring skill of the husbandman to produce a crop. Just why it is so has never been explained better than in the words of Jesus, "An enemy hath done this." Therefore, some of us can never expect to see many coming with open arms to find the Savior of men, nor selfish human nature without reluctance yielding to the claims of Christ. In fact, this is the glory of the fight for right and God—that it requires the best that is in us, and through him we shall not lose the battle.

But in some places the battle seems harder than in others. Likely it is more **seeming** than real. It may be only a challenge to better tactics in the fight, or the call for us to secure orders from Headquarters, where the strategy of Heaven is at our command. But China does seem to have some difficulties which are baffling to those of us in the West. Perhaps we shall do well to recognize them as we face our task in this part of the Orient.

First of all, we must recognize the conflict of culture between China and the West. Here is a nation whose history can record a thousand years for every hundred in America; the only nation in the world so little touched by Western ways and thought life. They do most things different; that's all there is to it. In writing their names, they write the family name first, and did it long before we knew its convenience in America for a telephone directory! They prefer a hard bed to Western springs to sleep on. They begin to read a book where we finish. The ladies wear trousers and men long gowns. They built walls around their country and about their cities to protect them from their enemies, and their wars were harmless until—until the human passion in their natures secured the tragic weapons of death from the West. What a strange commentary on the nations that have taken upon them the name of the Prince of Peace!

This very difference in customs and thought-life, through a most difficult language, makes communication difficult. You are never sure that you are understood, even when you think you know the language. Words are treacherous things, even among those of us with a common language and thought-life. Endless arguments have been caused by them. Churches have divided. Families have been rent asunder. So one can easily see the difficulty when the background of thought is so different.

Then there are customs fixed through the centuries that make the work difficult. Women are kept in seclusion. Since Christ restored what was lost in the fall in Eden, women have always been first to give ear to this Gospel message. They can be reached successfully only by women, and there will be a large need for women in this work for years ahead. But perhaps one of the most difficult customs to deal with in the cities and towns, is the absence of so many families from the head of the house. In one of our stations the other day we visited five different merchants. They are splendid, agreeable fellows who have helped to build one of our hospitals; but not one of them had his family with him. They go home but once or twice a year. This makes a broken and shifting family. It separates the elements of which homes are made. It tends to all kinds of immorality. Again, the family consists of grandparents and all married sons. Girls trained in Christian living have little hope of a Christian husband when the marriage is determined by the father on the basis of $300 more or less! The struggle of many who would be Christians in this family clan, where parents must be respected, is most difficult indeed.

Then of course there is the religious background of these thousands of years, where the only motive in worship was materialistic. Their worship was only an offering for crops, for relief from sickness and disease; perchance for a son! It is not easy to get the spiritual consciousness of a heavenly Father

into such materialistic worshipers at once; especially when this material devotion is so common to humanity, and made doubly so to these Chinese countrymen who must struggle to live on $50 per year and keep their families. We believe their hearts are just as hungry for God, but the struggle for bread and the heritage of the past are a matter to be reckoned with.

But there is great hope in it all. "Where sin doth abound, there grace doth much more abound." The simplicity and frugality of life in North China have made a background of character. Character must be regenerated by the Spirit of the Living God! The light is breaking. The other day a good old Christian said, "I don't know much, only that Jesus saved me." What a message to some of us who know more—and yet so much less! A Christian of many years said, when asked if the foreign missionary might retire, "Not yet; we need you to teach us what real Christianity is; we don't know yet." And here is our task. It is difficult. It cannot be done in a day; neither can it be done by those who know not the Lord in actual experience and faith. Whatever the Chinese do **not** know, they **do** know human nature and look right through us. They know the genuine from the superficial. While they worship at the feet of culture, they also know that their culture of the past has not brought peace and life. Chaos and uncertainty are likely to exist here until the life that comes alone from the Son of God is theirs!

There is, perhaps, no more baffling missionary problem in the world than in China. But Christianity can never reach its glory until this problem is met. To meet it successfully will do the church as much good as it will do for China. It may take a renovation of our Western thought. It will likely require a new hold on the dynamic of Calvary. It might bring some embarrassment to our pride of civilization. But whatever it costs, is it not worth it a thousand times to help bring the oldest and biggest nation on earth into the knowledge of the Living Christ, so that here his blessing may rest on all who believe and trust him?

Written from Ping Ting Chow, Shansi, China.

Slave Trade and Missions

For Use in Africa Mission Study

ONE would fain forget the unspeakable horrors of "the middle passage," where, in the stifling hold of a small vessel, human beings were packed like dead freight, that neither eats, nor drinks, nor breathes. Yet it is worth while to recall that missionaries have exerted no small influence in bringing to an end the traffic in human flesh in its last strongholds of Africa. The system is not dead, but great expanses of territory have been forever closed to the Moslem slave-raider. The voice of the missionary has ever been powerful to arouse the public to the duty of holding the slaver in check, because, as a pioneer of a religion of love, he notes and reports the horrors practiced where pure selfishness rules.

We learn something of the slave trade now carried on by Moslem Arabs from the pages of modern travelers. November 24, 1883, H. M. Stanley was steaming up the Congo on his way to Stanley Falls, not far from the mouth of the Werre as it comes in from the north; he looked for the town of Mawembe, which he had passed in his first voyage down the river. The site was there, the clearing in the forest, and the white paths up the banks, but not a house or living thing was to be seen. The palisade had disappeared. The leaves of the banana trees were scorched and their stems blackened, showing the effects of the fire that had wiped out the town a few days before. Three days later he sent a boat to ascertain what slate-colored object was floating down stream, and found the bodies of two women bound together with cords. This tragedy had taken place only twelve hours before. Soon after he came in sight of the horde of banditti, 300 strong, with a like number of domestic slaves and women. Sixteen months had they been engaged in their work of slaughter. They had desolated a region of 34,570 square miles, just 2,000 square miles larger than Ireland; 118 villages in 43 districts had been destroyed, containing at least 118,000 people, and all they had to

show as the result of these sixteen months of slaughter over so extensive a region was a wretched, ragged, and starving crowd of 2,300 women and children, with not one grown-up man among them. Five expeditions in all had already carried as many captives away as these possessed. To obtain these 2,300 they must have shot 2,500 men, while 1,300 more had perished by the way from hunger and despair. On an average, six persons had been killed to obtain each puny child in the encampment. The slaves were fettered in groups of twenty chained together; such fruits as could be found were thrown down before each gang, to fight for as they might, and the odors and abominations of the crowded camp were simply horrible. The bones of many stared through the skin that hung in flabby wrinkles. He adds, "How small a number of them will see the end of their journey, God only knows!" The process of their capture is as horrid as their condition, when Mr. Stanley saw them, was full of misery. The Arab steals up stealthily at midnight through the darkness to the doomed town; no sound save the chirping of insects disturbs the sleepers, till suddenly the torch is applied on all sides, and in the light of the flames of the grass roofs of the houses, the deadly musket shoots down the men as fast as they appear. Many succeed in reaching the shelter of the woods, but the women and children are seized and carried off. Mr. Stanley estimated that the result of the slaughter was only two per cent of the previous population, and that even that was reduced to one per cent before they reached their destination.

This account of the great explorer is confirmed by the following from a letter of Rev. J. A. Bain. His station is in Ukukwi at Maindu, 35 miles northwest of Lake Nyassa, on the Kiwira River. He writes: "At daybreak, March 15, we were awakened by a number of shots fired in rapid succession; we were told it was Mereri with two bands of Arabs. The surprise was complete. More than thirty women with babes and several girls were captured. The men, only half awake, tried to defend their wives and children, but were driven back by the murderous firing. The Arabs entrenched themselves in a bamboo stockade, then glutted their lust on their captives. Two children, whose weeping over the dead bodies of their mothers disturbed the orgies, were flung into the flames of a burning house. The two following days were spent in plundering and destroying the village. The cattle are Mereri's. The women are claimed by the Arabs, who will sell them when they tire of them. They left, after burning everything that could be burned."

Livingstone, in his "Last Journals" gives some account of the brutalities on the road. June 19, 1866, he passed a woman tied by the neck to a tree and dead; she could not keep up with the rest, and in order that she should not become the property of another she was thus despatched. Dr. Livingstone saw others tied up in the same way, and one lying in the path in a pool of blood. June 26 he passed another woman lying dead in the road. Bystanders told how an Arab had killed her early that morning, in anger that he must lose the money paid for her, because she was too exhausted to walk any further. His "Last Journals," pp. 383-386, gives an account of a merciless and unprovoked massacre of hundreds of native women and others.

As to the guilt of Mohammedans in connection with the slave trade, Cardinal Lavigerie is very outspoken, and for thirty years he has been in constant intercourse with them. He says (Missionary Herald, 1888, 561):

1. "I do not know in Africa a Moslem state whose ruler does not permit, and often himself practice on his own subjects, and in ways barbarously atrocious, the hunting and sale of slaves.

2. "It is only Moslems who ravage Africa by slave raids and slave trading.

3. "Where the slave trade is prohibited by Christian powers, I do not know a Mohammedan who does not advocate slavery and declare himself ready to buy or sell Negro slaves.

4. "I know personally in Asiatic Turkey, and in that part of Africa under the Ottoman Sultan, many places where the slave trade and the passage of the sad caravans take place with the complicity of Turkish authorities.

5. "Never to my knowledge has any mufti or teacher of the Koran protested against this infamous traffic. On the contrary, in their conversation they recognize

it as authorized by the Koran for true believers as regards infidels.

6. "Never to my knowledge has any cadi or Moslem judge pronounced a judgment which implied the condemnation of slavery, but all have sided with the teachers and expounders of the Koran."

In conclusion, we cannot more than barely allude to the unutterable beastliness, as well as cruelty, of these Moslem slave traders, in connection with the mutilation of boys, for, though the vast majority die after the operation, yet, as the market value of the survivors is greater on account of it than would have been the price of the whole, the horrid work goes on wherever the Moslem power is still unchecked.

The great center of the slave trade is now in the regions of the Niger, in the Fulani territories, and the Sokoto Empire. British power is slowly advancing and enforcing its prohibition of slave-raiding in those regions, and this infamous commerce must soon come to an end, never to be revived while Christianity lives.—From "Encyclopedia of Missions," Dwight, Tupper & Bliss.

Greene County Domestic Arts

Greene County Industrial School Girls Excel in Cooking and Sewing

NELIE WAMPLER

DURING the past year a number of girls at the Greene County Industrial School, Geer, Va., have taken part in the club work of the county and State. Six of the girls completed the four years' work as outlined by the State 4H Club Work. A number of cash prizes and ribbons were won in both county and State prizes.

Following is a list of the winners in the Bread and Clothing Clubs:

County Prizes

Margaret Lucas, first prize, baking powder biscuits, 75c.
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Carrie Shiflet, third prize, soda biscuits, 25c.
Carrie Shiflet, first prize, corn muffins, 75c.
Della Shealer, third prize, corn muffins, 25c.
Maggie Lawson, second prize, table runner, 75c.
Ruby Mae Morris, first prize, second year dress, $1.
Ruby Mae Morris, first prize, princesse slip, $1.
Blanche Miller, second prize, dress, 75c.
Blanche Miller, second prize, princesse slip, 75c.
Blanche Miller, second prize, clothing record book, 50c.
Nellie Shiflet, third prize, princesse slip, 50c.
Della Shiflet, first prize, first-year clothing record book, 75c.
Carrie Shiflet, third prize, second-year clothing record book, 25c.
Elizabeth Miller, first prize, fourth-year clothing record book, 75c.
Amy Shiflet, third prize, fourth-year clothing record book, 25c.
Catherine Forester, first prize, fourth year dress, $1.50
Catherine Forester, third prize, fourth year laundry bag, 50c.
Elizabeth Miller, first prize, fourth year suit of underwear, $2.
Della Shiflet, second prize, princesse slip, 75c.

State Prizes Won at the State Fair at Richmond, Va.
Nellie Shiflet, first prize, loaf of light bread, $1.
Catherine Forester, clothing, $2.
Lucy Bailey, third prize, on record book, 25c.

These girls are proving their ability to cope with any others in the country. Our highest purpose for them is that they may go out into life prepared to be better homemakers, which is the first principle of citizenship. Many of the girls are learning to care for their wardrobes, such as mending, cleaning and pressing.

Our boarding-school girls are required to take lessons in sewing and cooking, of course, but it is difficult to enroll many of the girls of the community. There is a splendid opportunity to teach them some of the things that go to make life easier and happier.

ALL THINGS TO ALL MEN

Christ was a home missionary, in the house of Lazarus.

Christ was a foreign missionary, when the Greeks came to him.

Christ was a city missionary, when he taught in Samaria.

Christ was a children's missionary, when he took them in his arms and blessed them.

Christ was a missionary to the poor, when he opened the eyes of the blind beggar.

Christ was a missionary to the rich, when he opened the spiritual eyes of Zaccheus.

Even on the Cross, Christ was a missionary to the robber, and his last command was the missionary commission.—Amos R. Wells.

Embassadors for Christ in Africa

Earl W. Flohr

HILDA FLOHR STRAYER

EARL is the only son of Lewis B. and Anna E. Flohr of Vienna, Va. He was born at Fountain Dale, Adams County, Pa., Jan. 23, 1894. He has a younger sister, Hilda Flohr Strayer of Vienna, Va., and a foster sister, Eva Flohr Miller, Oakton, Va.



Earl Wilbur Flohr

Like all first-born, he was (to his parents) the greatest baby ever born. As a child of three years he stood on the church bench by his mother and imitated the gestures of the minister, and on the way home, in the open spring wagon, puzzled his mother by blowing as one blows at a candle to extinguish it. Inquiry revealed that he was trying to "blow out the stars."

He was industrious, ambitious and inventive. In school he succeeded well, his elementary work being done in the Vienna public school. He completed his college preparatory work in three years at Hebron Seminary, Nokesville, Va., entered Bridgewater College in 1912, and graduated in 1916, the honor student of his class, making a general average rarely equalled or surpassed.

He received the master of arts degree at Clark University, Worcester, Mass., in 1922, majoring in psychology, and has done considerable work on his doctorate at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md., while teaching at Blue Ridge College, New Windsor, Md.

From 1919 to 1921 he was employed by the General Sunday School Board as director of religious education in the State of Maryland. From 1922 to 1926 he has been professor of psychology at Blue Ridge College.

Earl joined the church at the age of twelve, was called to the ministry in 1918 at Bridgewater, Va., and ordained to the eldership in the Pipe Creek congregation, Maryland, Sept. 6, 1926.

Sept. 7, 1916, marked the happy culmination of a college friendship of four years, when Ella E. Miller became his wife. Their home has been blessed with two children, Julia Ann and Lewis Benton, now eight and five years of age, respectively.

For the past three years he has been identified with the Young People's Movement in Maryland, and the last Young People's Summer Conference at Blue Ridge College decided that the young people of Maryland would assume his support on the Africa mission field.

"Prof.," as the students at the college called him, was everyone's friend on the campus. Many students came to him with their personal problems. In the classroom they considered him a most interesting teacher.

How Earl came to decide for Africa is interesting. His parents had the missionary outlook. They had worked with Alice Boone and J. Edson Ulery in the Brooklyn Mission in its early days. They had helped to teach John Caruso to speak English and helped to start the Italian Sunday-school. They had planned from Earl's infancy that he should be a medical missionary, and when he graduated from college wanted him to attend Johns Hopkins Medical School. This did not appeal to him, so he was allowed to accept a scholarship in psychology at Clark University. During the summer of 1925, while assisting in the Maryland Young People's Conference at Blue Ridge College, where the slogan was "Fifty young people in the Church of the Brethren this year to take Christ seriously," and where the spirit of consecration was working wonderfully, he was seized with the conviction that he ought to be in more active service for the Master. He and his wife talked the matter over and decided to follow him wherever he might lead. They prayed constantly for God's definite leading.

In February, 1926, Earl was called to help in a Bible Institute at Elizabethtown College. Stover Kulp was there also, giving Spirit-

filled, inspiring messages from Africa. On the third night of the institute, while Bro. Kulp was making a stirring appeal for help in the Dark Continent, Earl felt God's direct call, and knew that he was being led to the black man's land. From that time they pressed forward, never doubting the call, made application to the board, were accepted and confirmed at the Lincoln Conference.

Earl goes well prepared for the work and willing to work at anything the Garkida Mission may ask him to do.

Ella Miller Flohr

OSCAR S. MILLER

THE subject of this sketch was born at Bridgewater, Rockingham County, Va., Oct. 30, 1887. She was the fifth in a family of eight children who came to the home of Eld. Hiram G. Miller and Julia Ann Wright Miller. At this time, and a number of years afterward, her father lived on a farm, so young Ella had opportunities of learning how to do almost everything. She attended the public school and then took her turn helping mother several years, while the older girls were in school. In 1903 she entered the preparatory department of Bridgewater College and continued her work there, completing the college course in 1911. She then taught in the Timberville High School, Va. She returned to Bridgewater College as head of the history department and for four years taught and pursued advanced work. During vacations she took summer school work at University of Virginia, Harrisonburg Teachers' College, and University of Pennsylvania, and received the A. M. degree from Bridgewater College in 1915.



Ella Miller Flohr

She taught one more year in college, and in September, 1916, was married to Earl W. Flohr. After little Julia Ann and Lewis Benton came into the home her time and energies were devoted mostly to their interests; however, for the past two years she has been teaching language in the New Windsor High School, New Windsor, Md.

Her parents came of good Brethren stock, and in their home Christian ideals were not only taught, but exemplified. Her father, from her earliest memory, was one of those men who rode horseback and drove a buggy into the Alleghany Mountains to tell the story of love. It is no wonder that Ella gave her heart to Christ at twelve years. It was under the influence of S. N. McCann and Wilbur Stover when they visited Bridgewater College that a desire to go to benighted lands took possession of her heart. She became a Volunteer at seventeen, and was firm in her intention to serve on the foreign field if God should so lead. Ever since she has been an enthusiastic worker in Sunday-school and Vacation Bible Schools. When Earl was approached by the General Sunday School Board to become one of its field workers, she consented, feeling that perhaps, after all, their place might be in the growing field of religious education in the homeland. Later, however, when this work was no longer sponsored by the General S. S. Board, Earl turned to the teaching profession, and she felt at times that perhaps they were not just where God wanted them. She felt the insistent urge to more active service where the need was so much more acute than here in the homeland, and during the summer of 1925 they prayed definitely for the Lord to lead them there if he wanted them. The call came from Africa in February, 1926, and her heart rejoiced to know that at last her cherished ambition was to be realized.

Ella is a thorough, consistent worker, who gives her best to a task. She is eager to get to the field and enter upon the work. Little Julia Ann and Lewis Benton are also eager to go to the land of little black boys and girls. May the Great Father protect and keep them there and bless the black people with a living example of how a Christian home may live the Jesus way.

CHINA NOTES FOR NOVEMBER

Marie Brubaker

Ping Ting

The Ping Ting Church of the Brethren is responsible for the evangelization of 450,000 people. About one in every thousand of these have entered the church through baptism. These are scattered around at various centers over a territory embracing two counties. These several Christian communities are just now like flocks of sheep without a shepherd. Most of them are simple-hearted country folk, who believe what they hear. The anti-Christian propaganda has come to their ears before they are firmly founded in the Christian doctrine. For some reason or other we have no pastors at these centers and no men trained to do the work properly. The result is that many of the Christians at these places are simply bewildered. There was no one to comfort and enlighten them in the difficult hour, and so you can imagine the result. Our Ping Ting church has only one man trained well enough to be a pastor over these people. He is needed very badly here in the city church. He visited the country Christians a couple of times during the year. We need several thousand dollars and a definite program to train fifteen or twenty pastor evangelists in the next five or ten years for our Ping Ting territory alone. May this need have your earnest prayer and consideration.

We have a month's Bible class in session now for all Christians in our territory who care to attend and learn more about Jesus, the Bible, and the church. We tried to make the financial side of the undertaking as easy as possible for those who might want to attend, even making it cheaper than for them to live at home. Only about six or eight came out. We ought to have fifteen or twenty, for the class was well announced. However, we are so glad for the few that have come. Their interest is splendid. We are convinced that they will have a much deeper spiritual life when they return to their homes. This is what most of our Christians, including us missionaries, need.

It will soon be getting too cold for the work in the evangelistic tents. This work will close Dec. 2. Many people have heard the Gospel during these last three months. This tent method is a splendid way of sowing the Seed. Much of the good is lost because we do not have trained pastors scattered over the country to do the follow-up work. But where God's Word is preached in the power of the Holy Spirit there will be fruits.

Dec. 10 is the time set for the opening of the Bible class for those who are applicants for baptism this winter. The dates set for our baptism and communion services are Dec. 22 and 23. We are sorry that the General Mission Board's deputation to the mission fields feels it necessary to leave us before that time. We do not know for sure how many applicants there will be, though not such a large number, as thirty-three were baptized earlier in the fall, and we are planning to have a special baptism service for the schools about Easter time.

The future of the Christian church in China is still very uncertain. Only one in a thousand have joined it. Perhaps the majority of these are only nominal church members. The church is just now passing through a testing time. The church in America and we missionaries on the field dare not think of slackening our efforts. If we do it may mean the death knell of the Christian church in China after a couple of generations. Some think the Chinese church is already firmly planted in Chinese soil. If so, then it is much as prohibition is firmly planted on American soil. We need more money, of course, but what we need most of all is more prayer, more love, a deeper spiritual life and a greater unity of faith in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

We were made glad this month by the safe arrival of Mr. John Hollenberg, who is to teach the English in our high school while Miss Cline is home on furlough. Leland Brubaker went to Tientsin to meet him, and though traveling conditions are anything but ideal in this part of war-ridden China, they arrived safely. Mr. Brubaker did the coast buying for the mission this trip, and since it is impossible to check anything now he brought the baggage right on the train. Altogether they had nine big pieces, eight of which they took into the car with them. And the big trunk rode in an open coal car and furnished seats for several Chinese who were riding in the car.

Thanksgiving was celebrated by foreigners and Chinese together at the Sunday morning service the first Sunday in November. On the morning set the Chinese brought offerings of grain, pumpkins, eggs, or whatever the Lord had given them, and placed them in front of the pulpit. Pastor Yin preached the Thanksgiving sermon and exhorted all to give greater thanks to God for his goodness to us. Those who did not have grain or something of that kind gave money. The proceeds and the collection all go to a fund that is to help care for the poor and needy ones in the church. The foreigners celebrated our American Thanksgiving with a dinner together, and in the evening had a praise and prayer service, thanking the Lord for his goodness to us during the past year.

We have, indeed, cause to be grateful that our work is not more disturbed than it is by the unsettled conditions all about us. Every day we hear of new outrages against Chinese and foreigners by the bandit bands that are everywhere in China. Just a few weeks ago the brother of one of our girls, who formerly taught for us in Shou Yang, was captured by bandits and his parents were forced to pay fifteen hundred dollars to get him released. This meaut they must go in debt and are paying exorbitant interest. This is only one instance of how the people are suffering from the constant warring in their country.

The Seese children have been in quarantine all the month because of measles. All four of them had the disease, but are practically over it now. Mrs. Vaniman and Miss Clapper have been up a little this month, though neither is much improved. We hope so much that they will soon be restored

to their former good health, and thus be able to take up their duties again.

Tai Yuan

The first of the month Miss Dunning and Mrs. Seese were here on business. We are always glad to have members of our mission family with us.

Nov. 2 the crown prince and princess of Sweden were in Tai Yuan. While they were here the missionaries had a chance to meet them and shake hands with them.

On Nov. 8 Bro. Bonsack and Bro. Yoder arrived in Tai Yuan. Bro. Harlan Smith came with them from Ping Ting. Another very unusual thing happened—it poured. Generally after the rainy season of August it does not rain again in North China till the next rainy season. In spite of the weather a goodly number were out to both the station and at the Ikenberry home to welcome these friends from America. The Chinese had decorated the front of the house and living room with flags and signs with "WELCOME," both in Chinese and English. Pastor Li gave the welcome address and both Bro. Bonsack and Bro. Yoder responded. Mrs. Chen played a "Ku Chin," which is the oldest Chinese instrument known, and the Boys' Club sang songs of welcome.

On Tuesday, Nov. 9, our pastor and workers in both the men's and women's departments, together with the Y. M. C. A. secretaries, both Chinese and foreign, had dinner at the Ikenberry home to meet with and talk to these friends from America.

On Wednesday Bro. Bonsack and Bro. Yoder were with us for our mid-week prayers. In the afternoon they met the other missionaries and foreigners in the city. Among them were the refugees from Sianfu. These refugee missionaries had been in Sianfu, capital of Shensi, since last April unable either to receive word from the outside world or to send messages to their friends. Eggs were over a dollar a dozen, and when they departed one housekeeper weighed her flour and found she had just seven pounds left. Flour was worth over a dollar a pound, and it was almost impossible to get it. Finally an expedition was sent to their rescue in September and they returned about the time Bro. Bonsack and Bro. Yoder arrived here. Only the women and children came out of the city to safety. The men, doctors and nurses stayed to care for the hundreds of wounded and to care for and feed the refugees from the near-by villages. These friends feel they were miraculously kept during this time of stress and strain. The armies suspended hostilities just long enough for them to leave the besieged city.

On Thursday Bro. Bonsack and Bro. Yoder met with the church members and discussed our problems and plans for Tai Yuan. Thursday morning they were very fortunate in having an interview with the governor of Shansi, and Friday evening they and the Ikenberrys had dinner with the secretary of the governor who arranged the interview. At that time they were each presented with a picture of the governor, signed and stamped with his seal. Friday they visited the other missions of the city.

On Saturday we had our love feast, and Sunday Bro. Yoder led our morning worship. After the service a picture was taken as a memento of their stay with us in Tai Yuan. During the week both Bro. Bonsack and Bro. Yoder spoke at student meetings at the Y. M. C. A.

The first part of the next week was given over to visiting the other mission stations near here, the American Board (Congregational) at Fenchow and Taiku, and the China Inland Mission (English) at Ping Yao. From there they went on to our station at Show Yang.

Our Chinese brethren feel very much pleased and encouraged over the visit of these friends from America. It was good to have them here with us. The missionaries doubly appreciate it. We feel rather out of the world here; in fact, we are living in the Middle Ages here in China and a visit from friends from the homeland does much to encourage us.

Shou Yang

In all probability the greatest outstanding event in the work here for the month was the coming of the deputation. The missionaries have been greatly encouraged by their presence and helpful counsel.

An every-member canvass of the membership disclosed a total of 159 members in the church. There were six boys and five men baptized during our fall meetings. We are happy for these. Our fall council meeting was held Nov. 20, with 62 of the members present. An unusual amount of business was transacted. The Chinese Christians are working very hard and most diligently for the success of the Gospel in Shou Yang. Sunday evening the fall communion was held in the basement of the boys' school. Sixty-five members surrounded the Lord's table.

The village Christians welcome the deputation most heartily. There are about nine Christians in the little village of Chiang Tsun, which we visited Nov. 26. In preparation for the coming of the deputation, the Christians discussed among themselves, with a great deal of pleasure, and likened the coming of these two brethren to their homes to the visit of the three angels to the home of Abraham. These visits will long be remembered.

During the first part of the month Sister Neher and Sister Kung, the Bible woman, did some work in the district of Pei Ho, a market town and outstation, about 50 li (17 miles) from Shou Yang. A five-day theatrical and fair in the district hindered the plans of the work somewhat, but gave opportunity for meeting many of the people of the surrounding country who came into Pei Ho for the special occasion. Interest among the women of this place is growing, and many homes, which could not be entered several years ago, are now open and most friendly to us. It is an inspiration to meet with those whose hearts seem hungry for the gospel message.

The women's school is now going nicely again. All the pupils are back, except one whose husband came in great displeasure, because she was in school, and took her home. We regret this very much, but there is nothing we can do to help her to return to school except to be faithful in our prayers for her and her home.

One of the students in the school is much opposed by her mother. The insistence on the part of her father-in-law and husband is all that keeps her here. Unknown to her father-in-law and husband, the mother sent in for the girl to come home to help celebrate in honor of a month-old baby in the home. The father-in-law was much irritated when he discovered the daughter-in-law had left the school without his permission, and insisted that the school find a way to get the girl back. After much prayer the lady evangelist and the teacher in the woman's school went in a cart to get the girl. We consider it a direct answer to prayer that the girl was able to return without any special opposition on the part of her mother's people. We are praying that her people will soon be turned to follow Christ. The women in the school are enjoying the inspiration of the presence and morning talks of Brethren Yoder and Bonsack.

Plans are almost completed for the opening of the kindergarten here. The opportunity for working with the children is most unlimited, and they enjoy the kindergarten methods of teaching.

The schools are doing excellent work this first-half year. Several new pupils have arrived during the last month. Miss Hsieh is doing all the station could expect of her during the absence of Sister Clapper.

The industrial department of the boys' school is turning out socks and gloves in great numbers. The boys are also spooling woolen yarn. This department was added just three months ago. It gives the boys an opportunity to earn some little money, by working spare hours, with which they may pay a part of their school expenditures. In addition to the money earned they will not only be able to read, but will also have learned a trade. About half of the students in the school have asked for work in this department. Those in charge are now making plans to enlarge the department. Articles such as socks, gloves, caps, scarfs, sweaters, bands, chalk, etc., will be made. The style and grade will be such as to meet local demand.

INDIA NOTES

Jennie Mohler

Bulsar for October and November

On the 22nd of October we welcomed Miss Shumaker back to Bulsar again to join our staff of workers. She will take over the village schools and the District work when the Wagoner family and Miss Kintner leave in the spring for their furloughs. Just about two weeks after her arrival she received the sad news of the passing over of her mother, for whom she cared during her stay at home. Just the week previous Mrs. Blickenstaff had received the same sad news from her home, that her mother had passed over to the other side. We deeply sympathize with them in their sorrow, for most of us have received similar messages at some time during our stay here and know the sorrow they bring, and yet the joy of knowing our dear ones are at rest from all care and sorrow.

From Oct. 28 to Nov. 4 our November Mission Conference was held here with all but four of the missionaries in attendance at some time during the meeting. Some had to return to their stations after having been here for a few days, to relieve others who were there, so they could also attend a part of the time. All remarked the presence of so few children, and missed them. Especially did we miss the older children, since none of them were present because they had not returned from their various schools. The Wagoner girls were the first ones to return from school, having reached Bulsar about the 20th of November.

November seemed to be an auspicious month for conferences at Bulsar. After the close of the mission Conference there was an Evangelistic Conference for all the evangelistic workers in the Gujarati field. We were almost surprised and much pleased at the interest and attendance at this conference, since each one had to pay all of his own expenses. About thirty Indian workers from other stations attended. This was before the close of the Bible School, so all of the Bible students were here, and the workers living in Bulsar. Following this there was a conference at Wankel, fourteen miles east of Bulsar, for the workers of Jalalpor and Bulsar Districts.

The Bible School closed at the end of November for this year's term, with an enrollment of fourteen men and about six women. Bro. Blough had finished his teaching by the last of October, so in the month of November Govindji Satvedi had charge of the school and taught two classes daily. Naranji Solonki had been teaching two classes daily for the whole six months. The results of their examinations disclosed that they had all applied themselves to the work, and their daily class work showed they had taken in some of the real spiritual truths from the Word. One of the men had not had the strength and courage to let his people know of his becoming a Christian, though he was baptized a couple of years ago. Now he says he has learned so much of what Christ means to him that he is willing to go home and tell his parents and friends that he is a Christian, even though it means opposition, and perhaps persecution and the loss of his inheritance, and to be counted as out of the family.

The Wagoner family and Miss Shumaker are now out in the district, touring, in evangelistic work. At present they are in a place where no touring has been done by any one. They are hoping to be out all winter and as late in the spring as it is possible for them to live in tents.

Miss Kintner is just recovering from an attack of fever of the typhus type. The fever began the first day of our Mission Conference and kept her in bed over three weeks. The last week she has been able to be in her own rooms and look after herself, but

she is gaining in strength each day, and we hope will soon have her usual strength and vigor.

Miss Woods spent October and about half of November here at Bulsar for medical observation and treatment, but has gone to her station and taken up her work there.

Lallubhai Kalidas is one of the ministers who were ordained to the eldership at Jalalpor Oct. 22. Oct. 31, he with all the other elders, assembled in elders' meeting at Bulsar, where he preached at the Sunday morning service in Gujarati. On Tuesday morning, early, he had a stroke of paralysis which affected his whole right side and made him helpless. For some days he could swallow very little and his mind was not clear. Since then he has improved so that his mind seems clear, but he can not yet speak, nor has he the use of the right side of his body. He has been unable to help himself at all, but now is getting so he can raise himself up a bit on the bed. He has a family of seven children, the eldest daughter being a nurse, who helped to care for him when he was the worst, but has since returned to her work in the hospital. They have a house of their own here at Bulsar, where they were spending a few days at the time he was stricken, and where they have remained since. He was one of the workers in the Jalalpor District, located in a town near the railway station of Bilimora, whch is between Jalalpor and Bulsar.

Mr. Blickenstaff has been deprived of his efficient office helper, and so far is left without any assistance in his office. He had a fine Christian young man helping him for some time over a year, when he was suddenly stricken down wth hemorrhage from the lungs, caused by tuberculosis. Just a month from the time that he had the first hemorrhage his life here was ended, and he went to his reward Nov. 17, 1926. Samuel, as we called him, was a familiar figure to all of us who had any business with the Mission Secretary-Treasurer's office, and we miss him. This work is exacting and no one has yet been found to take his place.

Umalla

Nettie B. Summer

Recently Bro. Summer made a tour of several villages, visiting schools and Christian communities. At one place there were seven applications for baptism, so a date was set for it and a love feast. At the appointed time Bro. Summer was not able to go. Bro. Govindji Satvedi, from Bulsar, had been called to assist in the work, so he carried it on alone. Instead of seven he administered baptism to eleven. About thirty partook of the love feast which followed. We are glad to have such Indian men able to do such work. The work at this place is very encouraging. The worker there is not highly qualified educationally, but is faithful in the work of the Lord.

Two new village schools were opened just before monsoon, and the work is very encouraging at both places.

The village workers of this district and Anklesvar district are going together in an institute this month at Anklesvar, after which Bro. Summer will take his evangelists touring for the winter season. Sister Ziegler and her party will also be out. Remember these workers in your prayers.

During the monsoon several of the children in the Baby Home were quite sick, but all have recovered except two, who died at Bulsar. It's a great joy to see the little ones develop, which repays for all the hard work done.

Little Dorothy Mae Summer recently had an attack of quinsy, from which she quickly recovered after having the tonsil lanced.

A medical examination of one of the men servants showed him to be suffering from leprosy. He could not be persuaded to go to Miraj, where there is a well-known mission leper asylum, but chose to go back to his village, where he said he would take treatment of his brother. Of course to us a cure seems hopeless under such treatment.

Vyara

Anetta C. Mow

Vyara's Workers' Institute is just closing for this year. The village teachers and their families have been in at the station for two weeks attending daily classes. Bro. Lichty and two Indian ministers were with us, giving their best in classrooms and in sermons.

The institute began with a love feast, in which some 350 partook. That same day 30 were baptized, seven of whom were girls from the boarding-school.

On the closing day all of the men went to a river a couple of miles away for a retreat. The women met at the Girls' School that same afternoon for an hour of prayer and praise.

On several evenings pictures were displayed. One evening pictures of the Vyara Boys' and Girls' Schools were shown. These were greatly enjoyed and they brought home to the children in a new way the labor and love expended for them.

On Nov. 20 Bro. Bhagwandas was elected to the ministry by the church, and the following morning at the close of Bro. Lichty's sermon, he and his wife, Priscillabai, were installed into office.

The Bible School at Bulsar has closed for this year, and Bro. Blough has returned to Vyara. He and Sister Blough expect to tour among the villages during the next three months.

Vyara expects Brother and Sister Brooks home in a few days. They have been away for fourteen months in their effort to find health for Sister Brooks.

Sister Mow expects to take groups of girls out into the villages as often as possible while the touring season is on. Two groups of workers will be in the district all winter.

Anklesvar

Beulah M. Woods

The season for evangelistic touring among the country villages has just opened. Miss Sadie Miller and her helpers make up one camp, and the Longs and their workers another. This work is so important and the season for doing it is so short that we need to pray earnestly that much of the seed may fall on good ground and bring forth fruit to the cause of Christ in India.

Occasionally things come to our notice which illustrate vividly the difference between Christian and non-Christian communities. One day on the train one of our missionaries met a woman crying bitterly. In conversation with her she found that the woman was going back to her mother's village because she had been cast out by her husband. According to Mohammedan law, to divorce his wife all a man has to do is simply to say four times, "I divorce you," for any reason **he** may see fit. This woman had tried to prevent her husband from marrying off their daughter to his nephew, not only the girl's cousin, but a bad man. As she persisted in her objections, he made her leave the home. The girl was sick in bed and begged her mother not to go, but she was forced to. A couple of days later the missionary hunted up the house in the Anklesvar bazaar and found things there in a sad state. The man who wanted to marry the girl was there, and even in her illness she begged him to go away and not bother her. The mother, unable to bear the separation and suspense, had come back when she knew the father was away at work, and had bathed and combed the sick girl, but had to leave again before the husband came home. What the sad end of the story will be we do not know, but Christian women perhaps do not realize how much better their condition is than the condition of thousands of their sisters.

Yesterday word came of the death of Jhinabhai Jethalal in a tuberculosis sanatorium at Ajmer. He was formerly a head master of the girl's school, but for three and a half years had been off work with this disease. His young widow, Marthabai, and child are expected back soon.

This month eleven girls from the mission school went to the neighboring city, Broach, to take their vernacular final examination. It was necessary for one of the missionaries to accompany them each day of the examination week. This is only the third year that the opportunity of taking this examination has been open to girls, so it marks a step ahead in educational advancement for women.

The practical arts girls are proving that they are well named. Lately they have been whitewashing schoolrooms. It is still hard for many people to understand why manual labor should be associated with education. This month proves to be a milestone on the road to its accomplishment, for the first class to complete the two years' Practical Arts Course graduates now.

The school-children are looking forward to Christmas and planning for programs and their offerings as well as making gifts.

The headmistress of the Girls' School is leaving to be married at Christmas. Pray that the man who is coming to fill the place may make an earnest effort to grow and to coöperate in the efforts to improve and advance the school.

The Longs are rejoicing in the safe homecoming of their girls from Woodstock School at Landour. The "summer vacation" comes in the winter here, for that is the most pleasant and healthful time for the children to be on the plains with their parents.

Beulah Woods has been transferred from Vyara to the Anklesvar Girls' School and now lives with Misses Shickel, Grisso, and Sadie Miller. The plans are to have these four comprise the missionary staff of the school. It will work out that three will be here at work while one is on furlough. The hope is that this arrangement will be more satisfactory for the missionaries and the work both, than if it were constantly necessary to move some one from another station when one's furlough is due.

Bro. Moomaw took his second Gujarati language examination in November and has passed well. Until the completion of the new bungalow on the Vocation Training School Compound, the Moomaws are living on the old compound and he goes back and forth to his work, often riding horseback.

Sister Moomaw and Sister Woods are hard at work studying the language, as they hope to take their second examinations in March.

Thefts are not uncommon here. A few nights ago Sister Moomaw was awakened by a noise in the back yard in the vicinity of the chicken pen. When Bro. Moomaw arrived on the scene part of the chickens had been stolen, but fortunately he was in time to prevent the loss of the best specimens of their blooded stock, which are to form a part of the chicken raising industry among the boys. That same night one of the carpenters was robbed of a box containing money and clothes, in spite of the fact that it was under his bed and tied to it.

Nov. 10-22 the second class of teachers from the Vocational Training School had their examinations. There were twelve in this class. Like American students, they are anxious to get their grades.

Following the examination, the Anklesvar—Raj Pipla workers met here at Anklesvar in a ten-day institute. There were four daily periods of Bible instruction and four on the project method, together with demonstration teaching. In the evenings Bro. Summer and Lalbhai Amtha gave most acceptable and helpful messages. We all are hopeful of blessing in village work this winter.

The outlook for crops is not very good again this year, so many poor people are saying, "We are ready to starve." How we wish we might help them!

The Workers' Corner

The editor invites helpful contributions for this department of the Visitor

Missionary News

Missions and Governments. A survey of foreign missions by the bishop of Salsbury, published in the London Times, has awakened much interest. He calls attention to the quickening of the moral sense of Christendom towards the backward races. The mandatory clauses of the League of Nations Covenant are symptons of this change, which is mainly due to the development of a world situation in which the value indeed, the necessity of the spiritual forces of life has been thrown into striking peremptory relief. The bishop summarizes the astounding advance revealed by the numerical statistics of Christian missions. He pays tribute to the very noble contribution made by America, by its width of outlook and its strong financial support, to the spiritual development of the people in British territory. Also the scope of missionary work has changed, the missionary now concerning himself with the promotion of human well-being in every department of life. This has led to new and improved relations between the missionary and the secular authorities.—Missionary Review of the World.

Robert College Enrollment. Robert College, Constantinople, has an enrollment this year of 690, the largest in its history. Twenty-two nationalities are represented. Nearly half the total are Turks, and there are large contingents of Armenians, Bulgarians, Greeks, Albanians, and Russians. One hundred students have enrolled in the engineering school. Thirty are studying at the expense of the Turkish Government. Among the students are Hairi, younger brother of Ismet Pasha, the son of the Russian commercial attache, and sons of the Governor of Constantinople, and other officials. A report from Constantinople College for Women states that 400 students have registered there. —The Missionary Review of the World.

Growth of Christianity by Centuries

Close of first century,	500,000
Close or second century,	2,000,000
Close of third century,	5,000,000
Close of fourth century,	10,000,000
Close of fifth century,	15,000,000
Close of sixth century,	20,000,000
Close of seventh century,	25,000,000
Close of eighth century,	30,000,000
Close of ninth century,	40,000,000
Close of tenth century,	50,000,000
Close of eleventh century,	70,000,000
Close of twelfth century,	80,000,000
Close of thirteenth century,	85,000,000
Close of fourteenth century,	90,000,000
Close of fifteenth century,	100,000,000
Close of sixteenth century,	125,000,000
Close of seventeenth century,	155,000,000
Close of eighteenth century,	200,000,000
Close of nineteenth century,	400,000,000
Close of 1925,	500,000,000

—Missionary Review of the World.

Mexicans in the United States. The Home Missions Council and the Council of Women for Home Missions, with other social and civic agencies, during the past year have been making a study of the social, economic, educational, and religious conditions among Mexicans and Spanish-speaking Americans in the United States. Representatives of these organizations met in conference at El Paso Dec. 11-16, anticipating the formulation of a policy for the agencies that are working with this underprivileged class of people in our country.

The Mexican population of the United States in 1920 was 725,332, including those born here with either or both parents born in Mexico. Nearly all of these were living in the west and south; only 281 were in all the New England States. Estimates of the present Mexican population range between 1,200,000 and 1,500,000.

A Love Feast in India. A letter from Anetta Mow, in India, says: "This coming Friday evening we will have our love feast here at Vyara. We will sit out on the ground in the moonlight. I wish you and your wife could be here to enjoy it. Tomorrow my girls will clean two sacks of rice and one of 'doll' (pulse) for the meal."

The Waynesboro, Pa., Missionary Association

This association was organized some years ago. The meetings are held on the first Wednesday evening of each month. A missionary program is given, including special prayer for our missionaries, and an offering is taken. Special pledges are also secured for the missionary support fund, from which Sister Lizzie Flory is supported in her work in China.

One year ago the association, through the interest of one of its members, was able to offer a challenge to each class in the Sunday-school, as well as to other organizations. In addition to their contributions to the Flory support fund, these classes were to raise what they could for whatever phase of our mission work they wished. Every dollar of this would be duplicated by the association, and the Sunday-school class would get the credit for the entire amount.

The classes took hold of the work with a keen interest, and the following is the final result:

Queen Esther and Light Bearers' class,	$ 10.00
A. H. Culler's class,	18.30
Helping Hand class,	68.00
Truth Seekers,	100.00
Busy Workers,	30.00
Sisters' Aid Society,	42.00
Dorcas class,	20.00
Primary department,	50.00
Busy Bee class,	8.00
Mildred Hale's class,	20.00
Mary Kauffman's class,	10.00
W. L. Widdowson's class,	32.28
J. B. Stoner's class,	18.00
Evelyn Benedict's class,	10.10
G. N. Gingrich's class,	14.00
Fidelis Adult Bible class,	50.00
R. J. Fitz's class,	14.00
Cradle Roll department,	30.00
Moore Bible class,	111.80
Beginners department,	40.00
Dorcas Society,	20.00
Junior Christian Workers,	25.00
Cheerful Helpers,	42.00
Jessie Oellig's class,	9.00
Interest,	7.70
Total,	$800.18

In addition to this the Always Willing Workers Sunday-school class raised $1,000 during the year on the same plan for the Africa mission.

This little report of the organization is given merely with the hope that it may inspire others to do their best that the progress of the church may not be hindered.

Waynesboro, Pa. E. R. Stitely.

Testimony for the African Slides

Dear Brother Minnich:

The Africa lecture went over big last night to a full house. The new Africa slides are certainly fine, and then they were shown by the use of splendid stereopticon and an experienced operator. I am sure a new interest is awakened.

I am returning the slides with heartiest congratulations. The receipts will follow.

Get them out and keep them out. They are next to personal touch with our missionaries. Thanks.

A. G. Crosswhite, Peru, Ind.

FIVE GREAT MISSIONARY MAGAZINES

The Missionary Visitor, published monthly by the General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill. Price, $1 per year. Free to ministers in recognition of their great missionary service to the church. Free to donors of $2 or more to mission work directed by the General Mission Board. After March 1, 1927, it will be free to donors of $4 or more.

The Visitor seeks to set forth the progress of missionary work in the Church of the Brethren; also to portray the general situation in the mission fields of the world. Every member of the church should find this magazine an invaluable periodical.

The Missionary Review of the World. Published at 156 Fifth Ave., New York City. $2.50 per year. For a limited time the General Mission Board will furnish the Missionary Review of the World to all Church of the Brethren ministers for $1.00, in recognition of their service. The Board will pay the balance of the subscription price.

The Review is an illustrated interdenominational monthly record of Christian progress. Its editor is Delavan L. Pierson, and its board of directors is presided over by Robert E. Speer. The Review gives up-to-date information of missionary progress in all parts of the world. The articles are

sufficiently popular to appeal to ministers of average interest and intelligence on missionary problems. The department of Best Methods is very valuable to missionary superintendents and committees.

The Chinese Recorder. The leading missionary magazine published on the mission field. Price, $3 per year. The Chinese Recorder has been established for fifty-seven years. For many years the publishing responsibility rested on the Presbyterian Mission Press in Shanghai, but since 1914 the entire responsibility has rested on an interdenominational editorial board. The Recorder aims to be a medium for keeping students and supporters of missions in all countries in intimate touch with the Christian movement in China. It serves, therefore, to help the missionaries and Christian friends in the homelands to get in touch with Chinese life and thought, more particularly in connection with religious work. An increasing number of articles are written directly by Chinese Christians. A special effort is being made to record Christian work as carried on independently by Chinese Christians. Sample copies will be sent when desired.

The International Review of Missions. Published by International Review of Missions, Edinburgh House, Eaton Gate, Sloane Square, London, S. W. 1. Published quarterly. Price, $2.50 per year.

The International Review is the scientific missionary organ of all Protestant missionary endeavor. Its articles are the most scholarly available. Its capable editors, J. H. Oldham and G. A. Gollock, are in touch with the best missionary thinkers to be found in the world. This magazine belongs in the hands of every missionary, of administrators of missions, and all others who are keenly interested and want to make a thorough study of missionary problems.

Everyland, a magazine of world friendship for boys and girls. Price, $1.50 per year.

This splendid children's missionary magazine is published for all children. Its stories are the best available for children. It is illustrated, and is sure to be heartily received by the children.

The General Mission Board will receive subscriptions for any or all of these magazines.

FOREIGN NAMES

Tongue Twisters. One of the enthusiastic mission study leaders wrote the mission rooms some time ago asking if he could not have a little help in pronouncing the proper names used in our missions. In accord with his request three of our missionaries have made lists of the names that are hard to pronounce and have given instructions for their pronunciation. Here they are:

India

Pronunciations by Alice Ebey

Ahwa (Ah-wah).
Broach (Broch), long o.
Dahanu (Dah-noo).
Jalalpor (Jah-lal-pur).
Navsari (Nav-sar-y).
Surat (Soor-ut).
Umalla (Oo-mul-lu).
Vali (Vul-ly).
Vankal (Vahnk-ul).
Anklesvar (Uncle-esh-wur).
Bulsar (Bul-sur), short u.
Dangs (Dongs).
Landour (Land-our).
Palghar (Pahl-gur).
Thana (Tah-nah).
Vada (Var-duh).
Vanki (Vahnk-y).
Vyara (Vy-ar-a).

China

Pronunciations by Minnie F. Bright

Shou Yang (Show Yong).
Ping Ting Chou (Ping Ding Joe).
Le Ping Hsien (Luh Ping She-en).
Kao Lao (Gow Low), ow sound as how.
Ho Shun (Hü Shoon).
Yu She Hsien (Ye Shuh She-en).
Chin Chou (Chin Joe).
Tai Yuan Fu (Tie You-an Fuo).
Ping Ting Hsien (Ping Ding She-en).
Yang Chuan (Yong Chu-an).
Liao Chou (Lay-ow-Joe).
Ma Tien (Mah Tea-en).
Chao Pei (Jow Bay).
Wu Shang (Woo Shong).

Africa

Pronunciations by Ruth Mallott

Garkida, Gar, pronounced like gar in garden; kid, like kid, a small goat; a, short like a in assure.

Hawl, Howl, a cry.

Burra, Bur, like bore, to bore a hole in a board; a, short like a in assure.

Jos, short o. Tilla, short a.

The Women's Department

Conducted by Nora M. Rhodes

Aid Society Gleanings

JUNIOR AID SOCIETY AT MOUNTAIN GROVE, MO.

THE Junior Aid Society creates an interest in the children to want to do some work for the church as well as to enjoy themselves.

Our Junior Aid here at Mountain Grove, which we had over a year ago during vacation, was a great benefit to our Aid Society.

First. It helped financially, as they raised chickens, sold them and gave the money to the Aid. They also did many little errands for the society.

Second. It taught them to use the needle while engaged in a social way as they pieced many quilt blocks. They had half an hour as a play period, after which came a time for candy or cookies, they knew not which, until their work was completed. These refreshments were donated by a sister. Another sister took charge of these Juniors in the back of the church, or classrooms, during our regular Aid, and in this way they did not jar the quilting frames nor disturb the mothers. These children were taught songs and recitations for the C. W. meetings.

Third. It developed these children into useful daughters of today, who will grow into the mothers of tomorrow. What is more pleasing to the heavenly Father than to see us mothers encouraging our children in the work of his church which he established here on earth? "A child is a bunch of nerves and energy," it is well said, but mothers, let us direct this energy and raise these children for him. Mrs. May Neighbors.

HOW TO CONDUCT MEETINGS TO AVOID GOSSIP

The dictionary gives the definition of gossip as an idle tattler, to tell tales, to talk much and to little purpose.

1. We believe the trend of conversation at our Aid Society meetings depends a great deal on the attitude of the officers in charge. They should meet the members in the spirit of Christ, which enables one to overcome all evil. The devotional exercises, if given in a spiritual way, will have great influence on the minds of those present. We feel this in our daily lives. If we go to God early in the morning for guidance through the day, such things as gossip and slander will not come to our minds. Gossip and slander, no matter where indulged in, are sin.

2. A very good plan is for the president to select a good book and have some one who reads well entertain the others by reading while they work; or select one who has been to some special conference, or has been traveling, to relate things of interest. A question box is interesting where questions written out on slips of paper may be dropped in to be answered at a future meeting. Another method that has worked well is to have quotations from the Bible, or gems from some favorite author, also committing to memory chapters from the Bible, such as the twenty-third psalm, first chapter of John, and the Beatitudes. It has been found helpful to have some one sing a solo or all join in singing a familiar hymn.

3. Let the president be watchful and, with tact, direct conversation in the right channel. Psa. 34:13; Eph. 5:3-4; Prov. 15:4.

See the fine traits of your friends, not their faults, and you see the flowers on the hillside of life, not the dead leaves under the snow. Adda E. Amos.

WHAT THE AID SOCIETY CAN DO FOR THE HOME CHURCH

The church is strengthened and made better every time the Aid Society does a good deed. Either the workers or receivers are

benefited. There are many ways to help. We generally think about money. We can do much good with it, and we need it, but there are many other ways of helping. We think of the crippled man who was laid at the Beautiful Gate of the temple. Peter and John had neither silver nor gold, but such as they had they were willing freely to give. Sometimes a prayer, a smile, a pleasant word or a friendly call will do more good than silver or gold. We can help in a social, spiritual and financial way.

A few observations from a financial standpoint: Over a year ago a church in Ohio burned to the ground. They erected another structure on the same ground, and when it came time to furnish the basement the Aid Society was right on hand to provide all the supplies needed for communion services and serving of meals on all occasions. This society raised $700 last year. A sister church at Lima, Ohio, remodeled their building and their Aid Society raised $1,000 to help pay the debt. Two years ago the Aid Society of Harrisonburg, Va., asked to have their church-house cleaned and painted on the inside. They assisted to the extent of $125, and are still enjoying the change which they helped bring about. Later they gave $25 for new hymnals for their church. Perhaps more happiness and spiritual blessings are received by singing the songs than by giving the $25. They have pledged $1,000 for their new Sunday-school rooms. Giving in this way helps the home church and makes all happy.

Mrs. J. D. Wampler.

DAY OF PRAYER FOR MISSIONS

Friday, March 4, 1927, is the time set aside as the Day of Prayer for Missions. For years women of America have observed the first Friday in Lent as a day of prayer. In 1927 the observance will be world-wide. Missionaries are planning to celebrate the day in every mission land, and women of many nations are being drawn near to each other as they draw near to God. It becomes in reality a World Day of Prayer. Let the women of our Missionary and Aid Societies plan to observe this day. A special program, "Pray Ye Therefore," has been prepared. Price, 2c each; $1.75 per 100. Order from your General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill.

AFRICA NOTES FOR SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER

William Beahm

This has seemed like a forlorn place with the white population reduced to 39% of what it had once been. It is the interim between the going of one furlough party and the coming of the next one. There were several weeks when we felt quite scattered. We prayed for Mr. Mallott, down at Numan, for his wife and boy, and the Burkes, on their way to the coast, for our two men in Belgium, for the party going to England for medical study, for those remaining in America yet a while, and for our Board's delegation on the high sea. That is a good cure for the provincial mind.

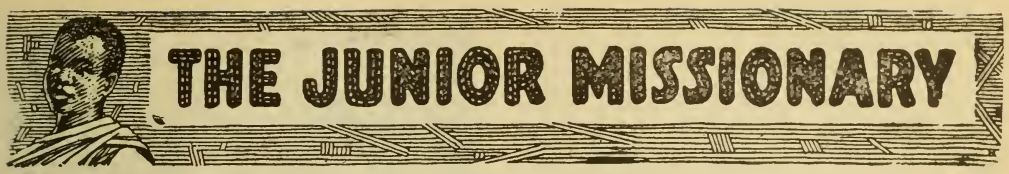
The rains have closed a bit early this year, so the building could be started early in October. Accordingly considerable progress is being made on our group of three industrial buildings and also on a new dwelling. Before the first cock crow has died away the whole valley is alive with the shouts of Burras on their way to get work in the morning. It is just as impossible for these folk to walk around quietly on these brisk mornings as it is for any of us to take a cold shower in utter silence. This place is alive.

Consequently our noonday meetings for working folk have increased in attendance and interest. We get much village preaching done close at hand. The two classes for inquirers continue in growth of appreciation of the meaning of Christ in one's life. We are hoping to have our first baptisms next Eastertide. It is refreshing to see the religious and Christian motive actuating these Burra boys. It quickens all things we try to do.

The attendance at school would do credit to a military academy. We are thankful for the health of the boys and their growth in interest and willingness to learn. The coming of the completed copies of the Burra "Life of Christ" had added new incentive to "newsters" to learn to read. And it means that our older boys who can read have now in their hands an orderly and complete story of the life of our Lord.

Early in September several of us went down the Hawal Valley fifteen miles to Gardemna to select a site to be applied for for another mission station. We there met our district officer and chose a site of seven acres. Two days later he visited our mission and seemed very interested in the progress we are making. We are very hopeful of getting a location for a second station by the end of the year.

We are thankful for continued health, especially during the absence of a doctor. And we are on tiptoe of eagerness to welcome those coming to us in the next few months. We know they will bring us the personal greetings of you all who are showing increasing interest in the development of Christ's kingdom here. In these days, when Africa is coming in for her due share of consideration, as evidenced by the International Conference in Belgium, we pray that we may all be faithful in our task of making Christ in all things preëminent.



Conducted by Aunt Adalyn

HOW THE BALL KEEPS ROLLING



Primary Hoosiers Who Put Albion on the Map

December 9, 1926, Etta Bitting, R. 2, Albion, Ind., sent $125.45, the children's offering for Liao Chou. The Sunday following Thanksgiving the Primary Department gave an inspiring program. Here is a picture of the Department. Gertie Ott is superintendent. L. U. Kreider is the pastor.

Weyers Cave, Virginia

Enclosed please find check for $85.49, the children's contribution to the China Mission. The Juniors have been most active in raising this fund, so I have enclosed their picture. The amounts raised are as follows: Intermediates, $25.64; Juniors, $37.30; Primaries, $22.55. The children were given about fifty cents by their teachers and asked to invest in some home enterprise. Some had chickens, others grew crops, while others had only the fifty cents to return.

Personally, I feel the training of this church project has been the most profitable part of the endeavor. Our boys and girls must be taught to attempt things for the Lord and his great work.

Dec. 10, 1926. Ernest B. Craun.

Windber, Pennsylvania

Enclosed find check for $17.50. This is the money the Rummel Sunday-school children earned this summer for evangelistic work in China. It was very dry and some didn't get much earned. Mrs. Warren Hoover.

Lancaster, Pennsylvania

At our missionary program Dec. 5, 1925, and in response to a special plea by Anna Hutchison, China missionary, four classes of the Children's Division—Beginners, second Primary, Junior Girls and Junior Boys—donated their missionary savings which they take weekly in the class, the amount being $31.00.

We had thirty Comrade Workers, a few of whom could not carry out their plans. We started them off with a quarter apiece. They have delighted us by returned $78.00, which, added to the class offerings, makes $109.00 from those two groups of children. This will culminate our missionary efforts for 1926. New officers will be elected for 1927.

Mrs. Grace Moyer Martin.

Oaklea, R. 3, Dec. 7, 1926.

Codorus, Pennsylvania

Enclosed you will find a postoffice money order amounting to forty-three dollars, which the Juniors and Young People of Chestnut Grove Sunday-school, Upper Codorus congregation, southern District of Pennsylvania, send in as their contribution to "Help Carry the Gospel to Liao Chou, China." Will be glad to hear about the plans for 1927. Beulah M. Baugher.



Vivacious Virginia Vigilants Out of Weyers Cave

Laton, California

Yesterday morning (Dec. 19) we had our exercises for the close of our mission work for the Chinese hospital. We had a small chest and nearly filled it with our silver dollars, half dollars, and even a few pennies. The children gave $58.31. The grown-ups being given a chance added $7.03, totaling $65.43. The children each told how they earned their money. Some raised chickens, some picked fruit, some pumped water for stock, some carried work and ran errands. We had thirty-four children enrolled, and six of them have not responded yet. They were asked if they enjoyed the work, and every hand was raised. Mrs. Verna DeHart.

Henry L. Pletcher, Nappanee, Ind., sends $34.00 to be credited to Liao Chou, China, sent by the children of Turkey Creek congregation, Northern Indiana.

Hartford City, Indiana

Am enclosing money made by the children of Bethel Center—$15.13. Though few in number, they were all live wires. We gave a missionary program Sunday evening, Dec. 19. This work is something new in our church. Mrs. Carl Wentz or myself, committee, will look forward to the Africa work next year. Mrs. Thelma Michael.

Harmonyville, Pennsylvania

Primary pupils of the Sunday-school, fourteen in number, Miriam Keim, teacher, send in a contribution of $16.40, the individuals gifts ranging from $3.35 down. The Sunday-school added $7.85, totaling $24.25.

W. S. Price, Dist. Treas.

Wenatchee, Washington

Enclosed find $61.61, to be credited to the Sunday-school of the Wenatchee Valley church, District of Washington. Please apply to the Liao Chou workers. The Juniors and Intermediates have been responsible for a large portion of the foreign mission money from this church. Orville Booth.

Pickrell, Nebraska

Enclosed find $7.00 as a Christmas offering given by the children of the Beatrice Sunday-school. They wish this to be used for the children's work in China.

Lottie M. Neher.



By the Hands of E. C. Crumpacker, Roanoke, Va., the Junior Class in the Bethesda Sunday-school, Cloverdale Congregation, Sent $11.57 as a Christmas Offering. Mrs. B. E. Murray Is the Teacher.

McVeytown, Pennsylvania

Some of our boys and girls were handicapped in their work for Liao Chou by small returns on crops. Nevertheless, by planting, raising chickens, running errands, working for mothers, etc., they gave of their earnings the sum of $138.57. Each year more enthusiasm is noticed. I feel that in the near future we may have some workers to send from our own church to foreign fields. We had with us on Sunday, Dec. 11, Sister Sara Replogle, who gave us a most impressive talk on the "Vyara Station in India," after which an offering was lifted to be used in building a house of worship in Vyara. Many home mission activities are being carried on by classes.

Our contribution, by classes, is as follows: "Rosebuds" (mixed primaries), Mrs. Ruth Masemore, teacher, $21.75. "Sunshine" (mixed intermediates), Mrs. Mabel Dunmire, teacher, $23.17. "Volunteers" (junior boys), Warren Dunmire, teacher, $26.75. "Wideawakes" (junior girls), Miss Kathryn Sweigart, teacher, $14.35. "Loyal Workers" (senior boys—three in teacher training), Fern Dunmire, teacher, $28.00. "Willing Helpers" (senior girls—two in teacher training), Miss Florence Sweigart, teacher, $19.55.

Mrs. Robert J. Swartz,
Secretary of Missions.

Kenneth W. Murphy, 206 Rush St., La Porte, Ind., sends $1.14, contributed by the Junior class for the school at Liao Chou, China.

Goshen, Indiana

Enclosed you will find check for $174.62. This represents the money earned by 37 boys and girls of the Rock Run Sunday-school for the Liao Chou mission station in China. As a part of our regular Christmas program, the children gave the play, "Money for Missions." We had 107 in Sunday-school today, and our special "Dollar per Member" campaign for missions resulted in an offering of $107.00. Mrs. Clarence R. Cripe.

December 10, 1926, Frances Detrick, Spencerville, Ohio, sent $38.36, raised by boys and girls for Liao Chou. In one instance the two rows of potatoes in the patch which were dedicated for missions turned out to be the two best rows. As a close of the year's work the program was given Sunday evening, Dec. 5.

Lineboro, Maryland

Enclosed find $3.00 missionary money as my share in the Junior League to help carry the Gospel to Liao Cho, China. I am a member of the Black Rock, Upper Codorus, Pa., Sunday-school, and as our school did not take up this work I am sending my offering alone. I would like to take part in this good work. I am a little girl nine years old.

Florence P. Sellers.

Mrs. H. B. Wheeler, 627 Maple, Ottawa, Kans., writes "very earnestly": "We are happy to report that our band of 'Comrades' has earned $22.76 for the work at Liao Chou. We wish it were much more. May God bless it to the spiritual and physical good of the little Chinese folk. I am so glad for the Liao Chou program, and we shall render the same soon."

OUR BLACK BROTHERS

1927 Financial Project for the Junior League

The Junior League including children of all ages is asked to study Africa beginning in 1927 and to earn money throughout the entire year for missionary work in Africa. The name of the fund will be called OUR BLACK BROTHERS. The whole Africa mission expense will be assigned to the Junior League with the exception of supports of missionaries and the cost of new buildings. The children will be providing the money necessary for schools, evangelistic tours and medical work. News concerning these lines of work will be sent to the children throughout the year.

The Junior Department of the Visitor will have items about this Black Brother work. Pictures are desired for the Visitor. Groups at their work earning money for sending the Gospel to their BLACK BROTHERS are far more desirable than children dressed in their Sunday clothes.

For information about the project write to H. Spenser Minnich, Elgin, Ill.

HERE'S YOUR GAME!

Dear Juniors: You've made a puzzle for me this time. That is, you have made me scratch my head to decide which of the letters you have sent in concerning your Liao Chou work should be classed in the prize-winning list. With the added judgment of the editor-in-chief, we finally award the game of "Livingstone" to the following five: Amos Hoffert, Shickley, Nebr.; Ernest Ikenberry, 819 N. Poplar St., Ottawa, Kans.; Opal Berkey, Millersburg, Ind.; Verna Mae Miller, Pitsburg, Ohio; Margaret Flora, Wirtz, Va. The five letters are printed in this number.

I hope the rest of you kiddies will not feel too badly, for really it was a job to make up my mind. Some that were especially neat were written by Elva Stroup, North Liberty, Ind.; Bessie Crim, Huntsville, Ohio; Elmer Hetrick, New Bethlehem, Pa.; Esther Smith, Myrtle Point, Ore.; Kenneth Hood, Franklin Grove, Ill.; these may be given honorable mention. Others, that made an honest effort, at least, were Martha and Quintin Rothrock, Davenport, Nebr.; Galen Fike, Eglon, W. Va.; Ernest Hubert, and H. C. Vanderou, Plattsburg, Mo.

Don't give up now, but if the editor asks something big of you this year, get right out in front and tell us how you did it. For, of course, you are going to do it. You are just beginning to get experience now, and the more you do a thing, the better you'll do it!

The games have already been sent to the winners, and we hope you will have a happy time playing them. See if you can locate our own missionaries. How many are in the bunch in Nigeria?

Good luck to every one of you, as you set out to raise a new crop of money and men for the millions in Africa's murk!

Aunt Adalyn.

THE PRIZE WINNERS

Dear Aunt Adalyn: I will tell how I earned my missionary money. My Sunday-school teacher gave me nine turkey eggs. Eight hatched, and seven grew to be over six weeks old, then they died one by one. When school started I made fire at the schoolhouse and earned two dollars, which I gave for the work at Liao Chou, China.

Shickley, Nebr. Amos Hoffert, age 12.

Dear Aunt Adalyn: I sure did enjoy the work for the Liao Chou hospital. A member of our church gave me a job making two bird houses. I made the houses and painted them. She paid me one dollar and fifty cents for them. I made some more money selling tomatoes. Altogether I contributed three dollars and seventy cents.

Ernest Ikenberry.

819 N. Poplar St., Ottawa, Kans.

Dear Aunt Adalyn: The Missionary Committee gave me twenty-five cents to invest in something to make money for Liao Chou. I spent fifteen cents for broom corn seed, and ten cents left for my China bank. It did good, made seventeen brooms, which I sold at seventy-five cents each. Received $12.75. The cost of making was $4.25,

Opal Berkey (age 11).

Millersburg, Ind., Box 1.

Dear Aunt Adalyn: Last summer we had so many potato bugs that my father offered me a penny for every twenty-five bugs. I caught three dollars and twenty-five cents' worth. I then drowned them in coal oil and laid them on a board and with a stick counted them. This fall I sold pop-corn and received ninety cents. Verna Mae Miller.

Pitsburg, Ohio, Box 136.

Dear Aunt Adalyn: Last spring when the Junior League call came to our church, I was glad that I could help do something for the people of China. I planted one gallon of beans which I worked, picked and sold, to the amount of twenty-two dollars, of which I was glad to share the tenth for the cause of missions in Liao Chou.

Wirtz, Va. Margaret Flora.

BY THE EVENING LAMP

Dear Aunt Adalyn: May I join your circle? I often read the letters in the Visitor. I am ten years old. I go to Pineview school and am in the sixth grade. In my school studies I like best reading and arithmetic. I belong to the Brethren church. I am in the Junior class. I have two sisters, one fifteen, the other four. I live out in the country. I have a friend that lives in town. Her name is Ruth Hunt. I have a kitten and a dog. I wish some of the girls would write to me.

Franklin Grove, Ill. Belva Buck.

I wish more people liked reading well enough to study it hard. It is remarkable how many poor readers there are—the things they are trying to say sound actually slovenly. But a clear, crisp enunciation, with the meaning brought out in every phrase—what a delight!

Liao Chou, Shansi, China,
May 6, 1926.

Dear Aunt Adalyn: We have three little nanny goats, and three big nanny goats. We went down to the river and caught fish. The Chinese schoolboys went with us and we waded in the river. A few days ago we went on the side of the mountain to pick flowers for our May baskets. We had about "Theseus" in our mythology. We have arithmetic, spelling, reading and composition in our school work.

Lovingly,
Henry King Oberholtzer (age 8).

I wonder if you haven't been awfully disappointed, Henry? The lady to whom you sent this letter, and who was to turn it over to me, came in the other day, and with the corners of her mouth turned down told how terribly sorry she was that it got mislaid for so long. She said it was inexplicable. Do you know what that word means, Henry? She wondered if you would forgive her. I said sure Henry would. It will soon be May again, and you can get your baskets ready for 1927. It seems as if you are a pretty small chap to be studying mythology. Why, even I had to go to the dictionary to find out who Theseus was! Now you'll write again, won't you, Henry? This sorry lady said same nice things about you.

Dear Aunt Adalyn: May I join the Junior circle? I am nine years old and in the fifth grade. I have two brothers. The older one has joined the church, and I am going to. I love to go to church. We have our opening exercises in the basement by ourselves. My grandfather and grandmother live in North English. They own a farm. They raised a family of thirteen—five of them girls. There was a pair of twins in the family—a girl named Bess, and a boy named Jess. Bess had a new baby boy a few months ago. Jess is my father. I love to learn of Jesus.

Dorothy Miller.

420 So. 6th St., W., Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

They say thirteen is an unlucky number, but I don't see where the bad luck comes in in your family, do you?

Dear Aunt Adalyn: My Sunday-school class are selling book markers to raise money for Liao Chou, China. In our school we have Bible as a study. On my grade card I got an A in Bible. It was so icy this morning that we could not get our machine out so we had to go to Sunday-school on the traction car. I wish some of the Juniors would write to me.

Bessie Crim.

Huntsville, Ohio.

Will you please send me one of your book markers? Let me know the price, and I will send you the money.

NUTS TO CRACK

Decapitations

1. Behead a small spike and leave to be sick.
2. Behead one of Shakespeare's characters and leave since.
3. Behead dirt and leave frost.
4. Behead a precious wood and leave skinny.
5. Behead reckless and leave a kind of tree.
6. Behead an Oriental religion and leave to bang.
7. Behead a girl's name and leave parasitic insects.

Take the letters you cut off, set them in order, and you have the name of the country you will study about for three months.

Hidden Missionaries in that Same Country

1. It is such a sickly babe; ah, me!
2. In the town of Negib bells are hung in the tower.
3. You know it burned to a char, perfectly well.
4. I paid him by check many times.
5. It is called the Tom Mitchel series.
6. That fur is called a Karakul pelt.
7. Yesterday I saw a very small otter.
8. The middle name of Josh is Leroy.
9. It is wonderful how Wilbur keeps growing.

(Answers next month)

DECEMBER NUTS CRACKED

Concealed Word.—Christmas.

Your Christmas Presents.—1. Slippers. 2. Scarf. 3. Necktie. 4. Watch. 5. Gloves. 6. Purse. 7. Knife 8. Stationery. 9. Fountain pen. 10. Radio set.

Junior League African Handwork

RUTH AND FLOYD MALLOTT
Edited by Minna Heckman

Feb. 20. Burra Village and Farm Life

Problem: To become acquainted with African methods of farming and Burra village life.

Questions:

What kind of roads has Burraland?

Would good roads help the trade of the country? The spread of the Gospel?

What is the main occupation of the country?

What kinds of farming implements are used?

Why does the brush grow so rapidly in this country?

Would better farming methods help these people?

Project No. 1

Weave a mat of tan construction paper 4"x2". This represents a native bed. Paste this in the notebook. A description of the master's house from page 137 of "In Sunny Nigeria" may be written on the opposite page.

Project No. 2

Work should proceed on the houses and compound. The native bed should be woven as described in the notes and the illustration. Clothes pins can be used for the posts and they should stand on their heads. In the second house, which is the wife's, a small alcove could be made by cutting a shoe box in two pieces and fastening half of it against the wall. Into this pen a few

goats could be placed which have been modeled from clay or cut from pasteboard. On top of this as a shelf could be placed some of the jars and little gourd dishes. A woven mat for the bed is all that is necessary for this house. Some more weaving could be done on the fence.

Project No. 3

The younger children could weave sleeping mats from paper. The mats could be

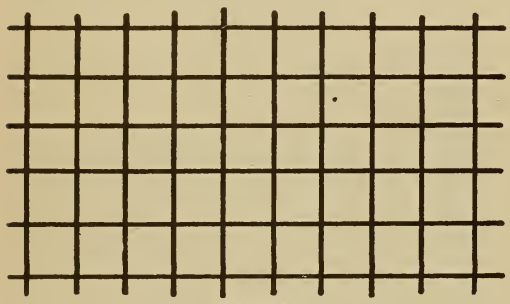


Figure 6



Figure 7

No. 7 to be placed on top of No. 6 and tied securely.

cut ready for weaving by the leader and the strips should be already prepared. They could be 4″x6″ with strips one half inch wide. The strips to be woven in should be of a different color or shape. If the occupant of our room is energetic she will sleep on a katzar or native bed. It is made of cornstalks. In reality the katzar may be from four inches to two feet high.

The model should be two or three inches high and the length determined by the scale of your "mbwa." Six feet is a long katzar. In making the model it will be necessary to split cornstalks to get stalks small enough or to use small twigs. The stalks are laid as Fig. 6 and tied with thread at the corners and the top made as Fig. 7.

(If the katzar is not made as part of the room it can be made in any dimensions desired, even life size or approaching it.)

Many Burras sleep on grass mats. Take narrow strips of tan construction paper and weave an oblong mat.

References

Our Boys and Girls for February 6.
"In Sunny Nigeria," Chapter XX.
"The Book of an African Baby," Chapter 2.

Feb. 27. Housekeeping in Burraland

Problem: To find out how the people live in their homes and learn the kinds of food they eat.

Questions:

What is the chief food of the Burras? How is it prepared?

What are the customs observed in eating food?

What kind of mills are used? Can much corn be ground in a day in this way?

How are their dishes washed?

From what is the clothing made?

Who does the sewing in Africa? Do you think it easier for the women to work in the field than to sew?

Would Christianity make life any easier for the women and children?

Project No. 1

The page in the notebook for this lesson could have the open fire for the cooking of the food. Paste little pieces of red paper, an inch or two in length, on a little heap. Then cut a kettle from black or brown paper and paste it above the wood. Write on the opposite page the description of the preparing of the food, as given in "In Sunny Nigeria," pages 131 and 132.

Project No. 2

Make the mill of clay as described in the notes. Place the stone while the clay is soft and hollow out the little cup. Make some little coils of clay for the little sticks of wood. These may be painted red and piled up in the compound for the cooking fire. A little clay pot painted black may be placed on the fire. A broom can be made by tying a bunch of raffia or some straight stems of hay to a candy sucker stick. A spinning wheel could be made by whittling off one end of a spool to a point and inserting a sucker stick in the other end. Work on the fence should be continued.

Project No. 3

The younger group can stripe small lengths

of unbleached muslin with crayolas, making them very gay for the cloths that the Africans wear around the lower part of the body. If these are then ironed with a hot iron, the colors will not fade. These are to be kept until the next meeting when some little black dolls may be dressed.

The grinding stones (very frequently under the porch-shed in front of the "mbwa") are merely level stones in a mud framework. On these corn is ground with another stone. See Fig. 8.

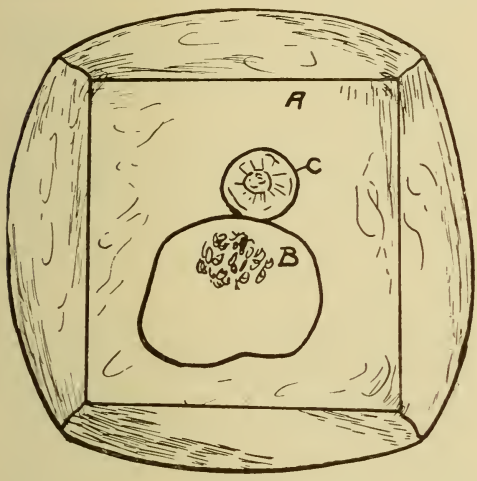


Figure 8

a. The mud base.
b. The smooth stone set in the mud.
c. A tiny cup in the mud to receive the ground meal.

References

Our Boys and Girls for February 13.
"Book of an African Baby," Chapter 8.
"The Book of Missionary Heroes," Chapter XVI.

March 6. Burra Religion

Problem: To learn the need of the Africans for the Bible, and the Christian way of life.

Questions:

Locate Bornu and Burraland on the map. How much do the people know about the true God?

What kind of religion do the people have? What other religion is coming into the country besides Christianity?

Is Mohammedanism good for them?

Tell what you can about Mohammedanism.

What are some of the superstitions of the people?

Project No. 1

Make a small scene as suggested below, for the notebook. On the opposite page write the poem—"A Plea," Missionary Visitor, Oct., 1926.

Poster Suggestion

Mountainous background. A river in the distance with palms, small bushes and trees. Foreground—a big fig tree (a very large spreading tree), cutouts of black people sitting on the ground under the tree. A white man standing with a helmet telling a Bible story. A tiny chart picture in his hand would be realistic and in the near background a bicycle or horse. Goats, chickens and dogs may be scattered about.

This could also be worked out in a miniature stage or sandtable.

Project No. 2

Make a "bee" like the illustration to be placed in the compound. Work on the fence. The remainder of the children should work on dolls that are to live in the house. The dolls can be bought or they may be made of clay. Have one of them for a mother with a baby on her back. A basket or jar could also be placed on her head.

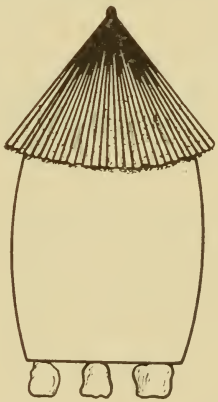


Figure 9

The Burra "bee" is the family granary and store-bin. Bees are mud hogsheads (some are small). They are set on stones. They are filled with guinea corn and covered with a flat mud cover which has been hardened in the sun. Sometimes they are sealed with mud as we seal a can with wax. During the rainy season they have a

straw roof like a Burra room. Model from clay and make the thatch as in making the room. See Fig. 9.

Project No. 3

The suggestions for the poster could be worked out in the sandtable if there is one, or a group poster could be made.

References

Our Boys and Girls for February 20.
"Book of Missionary Heroes," Chapter 22.
"In Sunny Nigeria," Chapters XX, X and VIII.
Missionary Review of the World, October.
Primary Story: "They Love Him Too," or "Afraid of the Dark."

March 13. Missionaries and Burras

Problem: To learn how the missionaries are meeting the need of the African people and also how we can help.

Questions:

How many people live in Burraland?

How many of the Bornus are there? How many missionaries are there for all these people?

In what different ways can the missionaries help the people?

What are the obstacles that the missionaries must face?

What are the white teachers called?

How was the Brethren mission started?

Project No. 1

For the notebook have as many pictures of missionaries as possible to paste in. Write their names below the pictures.

Project No. 2

Continue the work on the houses and compound. A few chickens and goats could be cut out for the compound.

Some of the boys and girls who are not busy on the project could play a game of "Across Africa with Livingstone." Four can play at one time.

Project No. 3

The younger group may dress their little colored dolls with the clothes they made last week. Little five cent dolls could be painted black and then dressed as the pictures show.

References

Our Boys and Girls for February 27.
Missionary Visitors for pictures.
"In Sunny Nigeria," Chapter II.
"Book of Missionary Heroes," Chapter XXII.
"Across Africa with Livingstone."
"The Book of an African Baby," story of "The White Man's Visit."

March 20. Our Mission Station

Problem: To become acquainted with our Africa mission station and the missionaries' way of living.

Questions:

How large is the mission station?

What kind of country surrounds it?

What different buildings have been built? What kinds of material were used?

How far must a letter from America be carried by the black men before it reaches the missionary?

How far is this station from the railroad?

How must the missionaries have food brought in?

Project No. 1

The notebooks may be tied together and a neat back fastened on. The word "Africa" could be put on the outside in good lettering or a good picture of African life.

Project No. 2

All the finishing touches should be put on the houses and compounds at this time. Some different boys and girls could play the game of "Across Africa with Livingstone" this week. If there are some unemployed, they could write a letter to some of the missionaries in Africa.

Project No. 3

Cut out pictures and paste them in scrap books to be sent to the children of Africa.

References

Our Boys and Girls for March 6.
"In Sunny Nigeria," Chapter IV.
"Across Africa with Livingstone."
"Friday's Footprints," story from book of "Friday's Footprints," by Margaret Applegarth.

March 27. What Our Mission Is Doing

Problem: To find out the different kinds of mission work that are being carried on.

Questions:

What is the first thing that the missionary has to do?

Describe a mission school. Where do the teachers get the books?

What is a medical missionary?

Is there much need for medical missionaries in Africa?

Why do not the native doctors help the people?

How does the evangelistic missionary do his work?

Tell what you have liked most about this course.

Project No. 1

These children should work on scrap books to send to the children of Africa.

Project No. 2

Work on scrap books.

Project No. 3

These little people should also help out with the scrap books.

(Note: If the church puts on a general program at the close of the school of missions the Junior Church League should take part in that and the above projects could be combined with some of the others.)

References

Our Boys and Girls for March 13.

A Japanese student tells how he came to be a Christian. In a training college in Japan he and a young American, who was a Christian, went to the principal—a venerable Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church—and complained of the coldness of their rooms. The good Bishop replied, "I am sorry that the council at home cannot spare the money to repair your rooms," and then, turning to the Christian student, he said, "As far as you are concerned, we can soon settle the matter. You are young, your life is before you, and your health must be safeguarded. I am old, my work is nearly done, and my room faces south and is warm and bright. You shall have mine and I will take yours." The young man protested, but the Bishop had made up his mind, and nothing could alter his decision. The Japanese student was so impressed by the beautiful unselfishness of the Bishop, and his evident joy in the sacrifice he made, that he saw in it the spirit of Christ, and was led to give his life to the same Lord and Master.

If you have no money to contribute to the church, you have a personality to invest, a presence to contribute. You have hands to consecrate, feet to dedicate.

A Sunday-school teacher had taught her class about David and Goliath. A special text was, "The Lord was with David." One little boy was greatly impressed with the thought. He went home and got out his nursery pictures to find the one of David and Goliath. After studying it for some time, he took it and started for his father's study, for his father was the pastor of the church. The father was busy getting out his evening sermon, but the boy persistently rapped and was finally admitted. Showing the picture to his father, he said, "Papa, they left the Lord out." The father went back to his sermon but he could not finish it. He saw that he had been preaching from the Word of God, but had left the Lord Jesus completely out. He tore up his sermon and fell on his knees. That night he talked about Jesus.

A certain five-year-old boy heard a story one Sunday about the Good Samaritan. The story pleased him very much, and that night when he said his prayers he added: "And, O Lord, we had the story of the Good Samaritan to-day in Sunday-school, the one you told your disciples." Then he smiled up at his mother and said, "I just thought he'd be interested." Yes, he is interested in the smallest details of our lives, our ways and works, our joys and sorrows. The little boy had grasped a great truth.

The fur of the ermine is of perfect whiteness. The dainty little creature appears to make it the business of its life to keep clean. So strong is this instinct that the ermine will suffer capture rather than defilement. Trappers know this fact and use it to the destruction of the little creature. They will smear filth over the paths that the ermine would naturally choose to escape by, and it falls into the trap because it keeps itself unspotted. Do we so detest the defilement of sin that we would suffer rather than become defiled?

Churches, like everything else, die when they cease to be useful. There is no inside work for a church that is not related to the outside wants of the world.

THE BEST MEMORY SYSTEM

Forget each kindness that you do
As soon as you have done it;
Forget the praise that falls to you
The moment you have won it;
Forget the slander that you hear
Before you can repeat it;
Forget each slight, each spite, each sneer,
Wherever you may meet it.

Remember every kindness done
To you, whate'er its measure;
Remember praise by others won
And pass it on with pleasure;
Remember every promise made
And keep it to the letter;
Remember those who lend you aid
And be a grateful debtor.

Remember all the happiness
That comes your way in living;
Forget each worry and distress,
Be hopeful and forgiving;
Remember good, remember truth,
Remember heaven's above you,
And you will find, through age and youth,
That many hearts will love you.

—Selected.

JUST AMERICAN

Just today we chanced to meet—
Down upon the crowded street;
And I wondered whence he came,
What was once his nation's name.

So I asked him, "Tell me true,
Are you Pole or Russian Jew,
English, Scotch, Italian, Russian,
Belgian, Spanish, Swiss, Moravian,
Dutch or Greek or Scandinavian?"

Then he raised his head on high,
As he gave me this reply:
"What I was is naught to me,
In this land of liberty;
In my soul, as man to man,
I am just American."

—Author Unknown.

There's never a goal worth the getting,
But what you must work to attain;
You must suffer and bleed for it;
Cling to your creed for it;
Fail and go at it again.

Success is no whim for the moment,
No crown for the indolent brow.
You must battle and try for it,
Offer to die for it,
Lose it, yet win it somehow.

—Edgar A. Guest.

One day a little girl was playing in the field near the farmhouse where she lived. She was sitting on the ground, making a daisy-chain, when she heard her father's voice, saying quietly: "Be perfectly still, and don't move." She was frightened; but she was obedient, and did as her father told her. The next moment a shot rang out, and she learned that a rattlesnake had been coiled up near her, ready to strike. If she had moved an inch, the snake would have struck her before her father could shoot it. Her obedience saved her life. There were three reasons for that obedience. One, that she was in the habit of obeying; the next, that she loved her father; and lastly, she knew that her father loved her. Willing obedience is one of the best ways to show our love to Jesus.

The great triumphs of the world are undemonstrative, even at the time of their conquests.

FINANCIAL REPORT

(Continued from Page 64)

NEAR EAST RELIEF

Maryland—$54.00	
E. Dist., S. S.: Grossnickle (Middletown Valley)	$ 44.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: A Brother & Sister (Broadfording),	10.00
Ohio—$2.00	
So. Dist., Cong.: Anna Lesh (Stone Lick)	2.00
Oregon—$9.20	
Cong.: Geo. Shade (Grants Pass) $1; S. S.: Newberg, $8.20,	9.20
Pennsylvania—$99.70	
E. Dist., Cong.: Maiden Creek, $40; Ridgely, $13.67; Little Swatara, $46.03,	99.70
Virginia—$13.57	
Sec. Dist., S. S.: Barren Ridge,	13.57
Washington—$8.70	
Cong.: No. Spokane,	8.70
Total for the month,	$ 187.17
Total previously reported,	665.40
Total for the year,	$ 852.57

ARMENIAN RELIEF

Illinois—$5.00	
No. Dist., Cong.: M. W. Emmert (Mt. Morris),	$ 5.00
Oregon—$5.00	
Cong.: Albany,	5.00
Virginia—$2.52	
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Chimney Run,	2.52
Total for the month,	$ 12.52
Total previously reported,	60.00
Total for the year,	$ 72.52

FLORIDA TORNADO RELIEF

Tennessee—$5.00	
Cong.: No. 93175 (Pleasant Valley),	5.00
Total for the month,	$ 5.00
Total previously reported,	92.95
Total for the year,	$ 97.95

FINANCIAL REPORT

Tract Distribution: During the month of November the Board sent out 2,577 doctrinal tracts.

Correction No. 10: See September, 1926, Visitor under Conference Budget of $1,000.00 credited to Johnstown (Walnut Grove) Cong. $500.00 has since been designated for support of Samuel Bowman.

Correction No. 11: See Missionary Supports, January Visitor, credit of $20.00 to S. S.'s of Mid. Iowa has since been designated for World Wide Missions.

Correction No. 12: See September, 1926, Visitor under Conference Budget there was omitted acknowledgment of $41.60 from Auburn Cong., No. Indiana.

November Receipts: The following contributions for the various funds were received during November:

Conference Offering, 1926. As of December 31, 1926, the Conference (Budget) offering for the year ending February 28, 1927, stands as follows:

Cash received since March 1, 1926, ...$203,586.28

(The 1926 Budget of $382,775.00 is 53.2% raised, whereas it should be 83.3%)

Mission Board Treasury Statement. The following shows the condition of mission finances on December 31, 1926:

Income since March 1, 1926, ...	$244,687.00
Income same period last year, ...	246,739.38
Expense since March 1, 1926, ...	258,047.06
Expense same period last year, ...	243,585.11
Mission deficit December 31, 1926, ...	23,476.24
Mission deficit November 30, 1926, ...	34,566.94
Decrease in deficit for December, 1926, ...	11,090.70

WORLD-WIDE MISSIONS

Alabama—$15.00

Cong.: Oneonta, ...$ 15.00

Arkansas—$30.00

N. W. Dist., Cong.: Springdale, $20; A Young Husband, Wife and Baby (Springdale) $5; Indv.: Mrs. Mary Babb & Daughter, $5, 30.00

California—$228.35

No. Dist., Cong.: Live Oak, $26.56; Figarden, $5.76; Reedley, $14.11; Raisin City, $4.05; Waterford, $16.36; Waterford Community Church, $4.36; Mrs. Nina E. Wirth (Empire) $5; Amos A. Hartman & Family (Waterford) $50; M. N. Wine (M. N.) (Reedley) $.50; Mrs. Clara A. Holloway (Lindsay) $5; S. E. Hylton (Lindsay) $18; S. F. W. (Oakland) $2.50; Indv.: Mrs. W. B. Wilson, $1; D. S. Musselman, $4.90; Grace Messick, $5, 163.10

So. Dist., Cong.: Hermosa Beach, $11; Pomona, $26.25; J. S. Brower (La Verne) $1; Lulu Terford (1st Los Angeles) $25; Indv.: M. Grace Miller, $2, ... 65.25

Canada—$134.77

Cong.: Bow Valley, $84.65; Irricana, $50.12, 134.77

Florida—$23.92

Cong.: Zion, $10.93; S. S.: Sebring, $12.99, 23.92

Idaho—$9.00

Cong.: John B. Lehman (Nezperce) $5; Mrs. Marie and Tecla Olsen (Nampa) ..$4, 9.00

Illinois—$571.64

No. Dist., Cong.: Milledgeville, $128.84; Franklin Grove, $297.08; J. J. Scrogum (1st Chicago) $5; W. G. Eisenbise (1st Chicago) $10; Mrs. Geo. Laughrin (Hickory Grove) $5; Caroline Brown (1st Chicago) $10; Mrs. Louisa Shaw (Mt. Morris) $5; Emma Shiffler (Bethel) $5; No. 93322 (Mt. Morris) $5; Paul E. Wingerd (M. N.) (Freeport) $.50; S. S.: Milledgeville, $14.38; Franklin Grove, $6.84; Sterling, $5.22, ... 407.86

So. Dist., Cong.: Big. Creek, $5.34; Springfield, $5.05; John J. Swartz (Blue Ridge) $20; Elizabeth J. Fowler (Allison Prairie) $5; Orill Kessler (Woodland) $2; Clara Steiner (Champaign) $5; S. S.: "Beacon Light" Class (Decatur) $26.30; La Place $4.09; Indv.: Mrs. Eliza Renner, $1, ... 73.78

Indiana—$979.69

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Eel River, $17.40; Pipe Creek, $32.06; Manchester, $290.76; W. Eel River, $10.75; W. Manchester, $57.12; Loon Creek, $65; Monticello, $20; Cart Creek, $15.22; Flora, $45; Clear Creek, $12.98; Mrs. Wm. S. Long (Monticello) $5; Susanna Leckrone (West Eel River) $5; Mrs. Sylvia Ulery (Manchester) $3; Frances Crill (Wabash Country) $2; C. Walter Warstler (M. N.) (Huntington City) $2; S. S.: Markle $13.20; Beaver Creek, $33.32; "Beacon Lights" Class (So. Whitley) $30, ... 659.81

No. Dist., Cong.: Wakarusa $36; Nappanee, $58.82; Blue River, $5.50; Shipshewana, $13.70; No. Winona Lake, $142.15; Unknown donor (1st So. Bend) $5; Jesse Cross (La Porte) $5; Elizabeth H. Zumbrunn (Goshen City) $2; Mrs. Margaret Wehrly (Syracuse) $2; Elsie Finley (Blue River) $3; Galen Hanawalt (Mt. Pleasant) $1; S. S.: Yellow Creek, $8.05; Indv.: Mrs. Amanda Boyd, $.50, ... 282.72

So. Dist., Middletown, $4.30; No. 93466 (Nettle Creek) $15; Ross Oyler & Wife (Kokomo) $5.86; W. H. Friend (Anderson) $1; No. 93303 (Buck Creek) $5; J. G. Stinebaugh (M. N.) (Rossville) $1; Indv.: Marthetta Kitch, $5, .. 37.16

Iowa—$113.91

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Bagley, $24.87; An Individual (Iowa River) $20, ... 44.87

No. Dist., Cong.: Greene, $12.04; Spring Creek, $21.95; David Brallier & Family (Curlew) $15; S. S.: Spring Creek, $20.05, ... 69.04

Kansas—$322.20

N. E. Dist., Cong.: Overbrook, $45; Earl Barnhart & Wife (Appannoose) $15; Mrs. Anna Royer (Wade Branch) $2.37; B. Alles & Wife (Holland) $5; W. A. Kinzie (M. N.) (Kansas City) $.50; S. S.: Olathe, $4.24; Beginner & Primary Depts. (Ottawa)) $10.09, 82.20

S. E. Dist., Cong.: Ft. Scott, $7.15; Fredonia, $14.50; Independence, $6; J. W. & A. L. Eikenberry (Independence) $4; J. W. Kirkendall & Wife (Independence) $10; Lizzie Shank (Osage) $10, ... 51.65

S. W. Dist., Cong.: McPherson, $111.35; James Brandt (Pleasant View) $10; Mrs. Lizzie A. Lehman (Newton) $3; Kate Yost (Peabody) $4; A Sister (McPherson) $10; Oliver H. Austin & Wife (McPherson) $25; Mrs. A. M. Stutzman (McPherson) $25, .. 188.35

Maryland—$247.50

E. Dist., Cong.: Thurmont, $17; Myersville (Middletown Valley) $57.57; Denton, $7.93; Bethany, $100; S. D. Glick & Wife (Hyattesville) $25; M. K. Ebaugh (Meadow Branch) $2; Geo. A. Early (M. N.) (Meadow Branch) $.50; S. S.: Pleasant Hill (Rush Creek) $2.50, ... 212.50

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Susan Rowland (Hagerstown), ... 5.00

W. Dist., Cong.: Bear Creek, $15; C. C. Beachy & Family (Bear Creek) $15, ... 30.00

Michigan—$158.99

Cong.: Grand Rapids, $43.77; Sunfield, $10.30; Long Lake, $14; Midland, $10; Hart, $.75; Herbert Morehouse & Wife (Woodland) $10; S. S.: Grand Rapids, $7.17; Hart, $10; Florence, $50; Indv.: Mrs. Ellen Spooner, $1; Mrs. T. J. Ingleright, $2, ... 158.99

Minnesota—$2.50

S. S.: Worthington, ... 2.50

Missouri—$67.44
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Turkey Creek, $17; Wm. H. Wagner (Adrian) $5; Lizzie Fahnestock (Deepwater) $2; John T. Forehand & Wife (Spring Branch) $4; Mary M. Cox (Warrensburg) $2; James and Mary E. Harp (Warrensburg) $5; Indv.: Lutie Holloway, $1, ... 36.00
No. Dist., Cong.: So. St. Joseph, ... 6.44
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Carthage, $15; Mrs. Emma L. Miller, (Jasper) $5; D. H. Wampler & Wife (Jasper) $5, ... 25.00

Nebraska—$278.10
Cong.: Falls City, $29.10; Enders, $13.85; Beatrice, $13.27; Octavia, $25.30; Kearney, $44.14; A Friend (Octavia) $4.60; A Brother & Sister (Octavia) $50; David Neher & Family (Beatrice) $25; C. J. Lichty (Beatrice) $5; J. H. and Saloma Fager (Lincoln) $2; Cora M. Butterbaugh & Children (Bethel) $15; S. S.: Enders, $.84; Indv.: Sidney Cripe, $50, ... 278.10

North Carolina—$10.00
Cong.: Mill Creek, ... 10.00

North Dakota—$2.50
Cong.: A. B. Long (Carrington) 2.50

Ohio—$1,152.78
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Sugar Creek, $10; Springfield, $50; Kent, $2; Zion Hill, $8.70; Canton City, $20.65; T. M. Arnold & Wife (Mohican) $9.75; Mrs. Frank Leatherman (Mt. Zion) $2; John Culler (E. Nimishillen) $3; Sarah C. Lawver (E. Nimishillen) $2.50; A Friend (Canton Center) $2, ... 110.60
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Pleasant View, $303.23; Marion, $20.96; Silver Creek, $52; Sand Ridge, $13.32; Dupont, $2.75; Sarah Sandy (County Line) $1.90; Mrs. Lois Rodabaugh (Eagle Creek) $2; No. 93472 (Greenspring) $8, ... 404.16
So. Dist., Cong.: Cincinnati, $20; Ft. McKinley, $3; New Carlisle, $64.92; Painter Creek, Oakland, Pitsburg, W. Milton, Harris Creek, Bradford, Sidney, Piqua, Covington & Pleasant Hill, $63.97; John H. Rinehart & Wife (Salem) $5; No. 93312 (Covington) $10; J. M. L. (Covington) $10; A Sister (Upper Twin) $4; Anna Lesh (Stone Lick) $2; S. S.: Happy Corner (Lower Stillwater) $94.35; Harris Creek, $6.39; Piqua, $17.15; Greenville, $6.25; C. W. S.: Junior (E. Dayton) $5; Indv.: Harris Harman & Family, $10; Unknown donor, $20; Missionary meeting held at Ft. McKinley, $158.60; Missionary meeting at Prices Creek church, $137.39, ... 638.02

Oklahoma—$3.00
Indv.: Sarah Latimer, ... 3.00

Oregon—$4.51
S. S.: Ashland, ... 4.51

Pennsylvania—$1,362.26
E. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. C. L. Martin (Lancaster) $9; David E. Fox (Harrisburg) $200; Unknown donor (Elizabethtown) $1; Al Reber (Lititz) $1; Ministerial Meeting (Ephrata) $84.49; D. L. Cripe & Family (Lake Ridge) $5; A Brother (Spring Creek) $3; No. 93203 (Indian Creek) $10; S. S.: Frystown (Little Swatara) $9; E. Petersburg, $10.38; Rankstown (Fredericksburg) $5.85; Union House (Fredericksburg) $2.50; Spring Creek, $9.22; Myerstown, $3.12; Mechanic Grove, $28.86; Ephrata, $29.50; "Gleaners Class" Akron, $5; Midway, $20; District S. S. Board, $300, ... 729.92
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Germany Valley (Aughwick) $7.63; Nora Sieber Keller (Huntingdon) $25; Wilbur O. Snyder (Huntingdon) $3; Susan Rouzer (Snake Spring) $5; Hazel Ober (New Enterprise) $10; Mary A. Kinsey (Dunnings Creek) $21; S. S.: Curryville (Woodbury) $7.35; Yellow Creek, $10, .. 88.98
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Quakertown, $27.10; Sara E. Beck (Germantown-Phila.) $5; Naomi T. Kulp (Pottstown) $5; C. P. Buckwalter (Coventry) $8; S. S.: Parker Ford, $20; Indv.: D. G. Hendricks, $10, ... 75.10
So. Dist., Cong.: Harvey C. Witter (Mercersburg) $5; Mrs. Annie E. Emmert (Shippensburg) $5; Mrs. Solomon Bashore (Lost Creek) $3.50; Geo. E. Myers (York) $9; S. S.: Melrose (Upper Codorus) $10.46; York, $10; New Fairview, $7.97; Hanover, $6.72; Indv.: Mrs. Martha Hollinger, $1; A Sister of Dillsburg, $7, ... 65.65
W. Dist., Cong.: Moxham, $120; Greensburg, $10; Rummel, $150; Red Bank, $5.66; Cumberland, $10; Annie E. Musser (Elk Lick) $5; Ruth Ann Moser (Ten Mile) $1; M. R. Hamilton & Wife (Mt. Union) $10; Lucinda Holsopple (Locust Grove) $10; E. G. Hetrick (Red Bank) $5; J. Clark Brilhart (Montgomery) $6.50; Quinter Wegley & Family (Moxham) $25; Mrs. Anna Saylor (Rockwood) $5; Alma F. Walker (Geiger) $25; Galen B. Royer (M. N.) (Pittsburg) $.50; S. S.: "Women's Bible Class" County Line (Indian Creek) $10; Wilpen (Ligonier) $3.95, .. 402.61

Tennessee—10.00
Cong.: No. 93175 (Pleasant Valley), ... 10.00

Texas—$2.25
Indv.: H. F. Osborn & Family, ... 2.25

Virginia—$190.76
E. Dist., Cong.: Midland, $17; Trevilians, $4; Manassas, $26.53; Mt. Carmel $16.06; Chas. E. Miller (Locust Grove) $30, ... 93.59
First Dist., Cong.: Cloverdale, $11.65; Jake Beckner & Wife (Mt. Joy) $3; Mrs. Ella Bowman (Smiths Chapel) $2; Fannie R. Lavell (Mt. Joy) $5; Freeman Ankrum & Wife (Chestnut Grove) $5, ... 26.65
No. Dist., Cong.: Sarah C. Showalter (Cooks Creek) $3; Wm. A. Good (Harrisonburg) $2; Fannie L. Mason (Linville Creek) $5; Mrs. Flora P. Myers (Mill Creek) $5; S. S.: Harrisonburg, $9.65, ... 24.65
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Geo. R. Robertson (Chimney Run) $3.87; Chas. B. Gibbs (Valley Bethel) $10; P. J. Wenger (Lebanon) $2.50; Bertie C. Wenger (Lebanon) $2.50; Mary M. Wenger (Lebanon) $2; R. Virginia Miller (Bridgewater) $1, ... 21.87
So. Dist., Cong.: Snow Creek, $10; Mary J. Tucker (Merrimac) $2; Mrs. Nannie Sutphin (Red Oak Grove) $5; Indv.: Mrs. Mary Radcliff, $5; Sarah J. Hylton, $2, ... 24.00

Washington—$120.19
Cong.: Omak, $34.19; Mrs. J. F. Baker (No. Spokane) $31.50; Hazel Baker (No. Spokane) $4.50; Mrs. S. O. Hatfield (Wenatchee Valley) $50, ... 120.19

West Virginia—$96.95
First Dist., Cong.: Alleghany, $4.95; W. W. Bane & Wife (Beaver Run) $70; Mrs. Jacob A. Hinkle, $3, ... 77.95
Sec. Dist., Indv.: Jesse Judy, $6; Lucy A. Manzy, $1; Susie Davidson, $2; Mrs. Gertrude Brown, $10, ... 19.00

Wisconsin—$7.00
S. S.: Maple Grove, $2; Aid Soc.: Stanley, $5, ... 7.00

Total for the month, ...$ 6,145.21
Total previously reported, ... 42,886.77

$49,031.98
Correction No. 11, ... 20.00

Total for the year, ...$49,051.98

EMERGENCY FOR MISSIONS

Illinois—$11.90
So. Dist., S. S.: LaMotte Prairie, ...$ 11.90

Louisiana—$16.90
S. S.: Roanoke, ... 16.90

Ohio—$4.69
So. Dist., S. S.: Painter Creek, ... 4.69

South Dakota—$10.00
S. S.: Willow Creek, ... 10.00

Virginia—$100.00
First Dist., S. S.: Cloverdale, ... 100.00

Total for the month, ...$ 143.49
Total previously reported, ... 1,058.79

Total for the year, ...$ 1,202.28

STUDENT FELLOWSHIP 1925-1926

Indiana—$543.00
Mid. Dist., Student Volunteers of Man-

chester College, ...$ 543.00

Total for the month, ...$ 543.00
Total previously reported, ... 2,567.28

Total for the year, ...$ 1,202.28

STUDENT FELLOWSHIP 1926-1927

Illinois—$7.00
So. Dist., Cong.: I. J. Gibson & Wife (Woodland), ...$ 7.00

Total for the month, ...$ 7.00
Total previously reported, ... 35.00

Total for the year, ...$ 42.00

AID SOCIETY FOREIGN MISSION FUND

Kansas—$1.00
S. E. Dist., Aid Soc.: Mont Ida, ...$ 1.00

Michigan—$20.00
Aid Societies, ... 20.00

Ohio—$35.00
N. W. Dist., Aid Soc.: Fostoria, ... 35.00

West Virginia—$10.00
First Dist., Aid Soc.: Maple Spring (Eglon), 10.00

Total for the month, ...$ 66.00
Total previously reported, ... 3,281.02

Total for the year, ...$ 3,347.02

HOME MISSIONS

Illinois—$41.95
No. Dist., Cong.: Elgin, ...$ 41.95

Indiana—$26.40
No. Dist., Cong.: Pleasant Hill, ... 26.40

Missouri—$10.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Prairie View, ... 10.00

Oregon—$9.67
Cong.: No. 93241, (Weston) $5; S. S.: Ashland, $4.67, ... 9.67

Pennsylvania—$6.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Germany Valley (Aughwick), ... 5.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Mary Bixler (York), .. 1.00

Virginia—$27.53
E. Dist., Cong.: Manassas, ... 26.53
First Dist.,. Cong.: Mrs. Martha A. Riner (Chestnut Grove), ... 1.00

West Virginia—$5.00
Sec. Dist., Indv.: Mrs. Gertrude Brown, .. 5.00

Total for the mnth, ...$ 126.55
Total previously reported, ... 732.86

Total for the year, ...$ 859.41

GREENE COUNTY VIRGINIA MISSION

California—$1.00
No. Dist., Indv.: Grace Messick, ...$ 1.00

Iowa—$10.00
Mid. Dist., Aid Soc.: Cedar Rapids, ... 10.00

Ohio—$25.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Annie May Calvert (May Hill), ... 25.00

Pennsylvania—$15.00
E. Dist., S. S.: "Diligent Worker's Class" (Ephrata), ... 15.00

Virginia—$26.53
E. Dist., Cong.: Manassas, ... 26.53

Washington—$25.00
Cong.: Mrs. W. H. Slabaugh (Wenatchee), 25.00

Total for the month, ...$ 102.53
Total previously reported, ... 266.85

Total for the year, ...$ 369.38

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Idaho—$6.65
Cong.: A Brother (Payette), ...$ 6.65

Indiana—$100.00
No. Dist., Cong.: No. 93384 (1st So. Bend), 100.00

Kansas—$7.01
S. W. Dist., S. S.: Monitor, ... 7.01

Ohio—$4.87
So. Dist., S. S.: Middletown, ... 4.87

Oregon—$2.00
Indv.: Olive Beck, ... 2.00

Pennsylvania—$27.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Frank M. Russell (Clover Creek), ... 25.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Otelia Hereter (Marsh Creek), ... 2.00

Virginia—$10.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Geo. J. Hoover (Woodstock), ... 10.00

Total for the month, ...$ 157.53
Total previously reported, ... 3,861.48

Total for the year, ...$ 4,019.01

JUNIOR LEAGUE—1926

California—$6.87
No. Dist., Cong.: Lois and Frances Bowser (Figarden), $5; S. S.: Primary & Junior Depts. (Raisin) $1.87, ...$ 6.87

Idaho—$18.57
S. S.: Children (Payete Valley), ... 18.57

Illinois—$57.70
No. Dist., Cong.: Ruth Genevieve Clark (Mt. Morris) $1.50; Wilber Clark (Mt. Morris) $1; S. S.: Naperville, $18.99; Junior Intermediate Dept. (Naperville) $36.21, ... 57.70

Indiana—$69.73
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Children (Spring Creek), 50.02
No. Dist., S. S.: Children (Nappanee), ... 19.71

Iowa—$105.21
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Children (Dallas Center) $70; Classes of Mrs. Leota Rometsch and Lora Deardorff (Bagley) $15.21, ... 85.21
No. Dist., Cong.: Sheldon, ... 20.00

Ohio—$152.75
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Children (Ashland Dickey), ... 109.75
N. W. Dist., Junior League, Rome, ... 28.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Primary Dept. (Ft. McKinley) 15.00

Pennsylvania—$33.00
W. Dist., S. S.: Primary Dept. Classes (Geiger), ... 33.00

Total for the month, ...$ 443.83
Total previously reported, ... 524.70

Total for the year, ...$ 968.53

INDIA MISSION

Indiana—$3.50
So. Dist., Cong.: Grace (Indianapolis), ..$ 3.50

Maryland—$10.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Cherry Grove, ... 10.00

Michigan—$25.00
Cong.: Ruth I. Vaniman (Elsie),) 25.00

Nebraska—$10.00
Cong.: Mrs. M. J. Kanost (Enders), ... 10.00

Pennsylvania—$75.67
E. Dist., Cong.: Midway (Anklesvar Training School) $10; S. S.: Harrisburg (milk and medicine for Babies) $53.72, ... 63.72
W. Dist., Cong.: Rockwood, $4.60; Middle Creek, $7.35, ... 11.95

Total for the month, ...$ 124.17
Total previously reported, ... 3,986.73

Total for the year, ...$ 4,110.90

INDIA NATIVE WORKER

Florida—$10.00
Indv.: Eld. J. E. Young, ...$ 10.00

Pennsylvania—$10.00
E. Dist., Cong.: Prof. C. C. Madeira, Jr. & Wife (Lake Ridge), ... 10.00

Total for the month, ...$ 20.00
Total previously reported, ... 595.42

Total for the year, ...$ 615.42

INDIA BOARDING SCHOOL

Iowa—$5.00
So. Dist., S. S.: So. Keokuk, ... $ 5.00

Kansas—$10.00
S. W. Dist., S. S.: "Comrades" Class (Larned Rural), ... 10.00

Virginia—$35.00
No. Dist., Aid. Soc.: Western (Mill Creek), 35.00

Total for the month, ... $ 50.00
Total previously reported, ... 1,190.38

Total for the year, ... $ 1,240.38

INDIA SHARE PLAN

Illinois—$12.50
No. Dist., Cong.: Edith M. Scrogum (1st Chicago), ... $ 12.50

Indiana—$12.50
No. Dist., S. S.: Pleasant Chapel, ... 12.50

Ohio—$12.50
So. Dist., S. S.: "Altruists" Class (E. Dayton), ... 12.50

Oregon—$12.50
S. S.: Newberg, ... 12.50

Pennsylvania—$50.00
E. Dist., S. S.: "Bethany Bible Class" (Elizabethtown), ... 25.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Spring Run, ... 25.00

Total for the month, ... $ 100.00
Total previously reported, ... 2,495.08

Total for the year, ... $ 2,595.08

McCANN MEMORIAL CHURCH—INDIA

Oklahoma—$2.00
Indv.: Sarah Latimer, ... $ 2.00

Virginia—$10.00
No. Dist., S. S.: "Marys and Marthas" Class (Linville Creek), ... 10.00

Total for the month, ... $ 12.00
Total previously reported, ... 78.23

Total for the year, ... $ 90.23

CHINA MISSION

N. E. Dist., Cong.: Washington Creek, .. $ 7.31
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Parsons, $15; Hollow, $7, ... 22.00

Maryland—$13.00
E. Dist., Cong.: Westminster C. E. (Meadow Branch), ... 13.00

Nebraska—$30.80
Cong.: Enders, ... 30.80

Pennsylvania—$24.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Harmonyville, ... 5.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Chambersburg, $7.80; Shady Grove (Falling Spring) $11.20, ... 19.00

South Dakota—$5.00
S. S.: Junior Class (Bunker), ... 5.00

Virginia—$27.50
First Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Martha A. Riner (Chestnut Grove), ... 1.00
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Beaver Creek, ... 26.50

Total for the month, ... $ 129.61
Total previously reported, ... 3,391.78

Total for the year, ... $ 3,521.39

CHINA GIRLS' SCHOOL

Kansas—20.00
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Beginner & Primary Depts. (Ottawa), ... $ 20.00

Total for the month, ... $ 20.00
Total previously reported, ... 51.25

Total for the year, ... $ 71.25

CHINA SHARE PLAN

Illinois—$50.00
No. Dist., S. S.: Primary Dept. (Elgin) $25; C. W. S.: Sterling, $25, ... 50.00

Indiana—$100.00
Mid. Dist., Aid Soc.: Manchester, ... 100.00

Iowa—$25.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: "Gleaners" Class (Painter Creek), ... 25.00

Maryland—$6.25
E. Dist., S. S.: Mission Study Class (Long Green Valley), ... 6.25

Pennsylvania—$75.00
E. Dist., S. S.: "Gleaners" Class (Lancaster), ... 50.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Spring Run, ... 25.00

Total for the month, ... $ 256.25
Total previously reported, ... 1,050.90

Total for the year, ... $ 1,307.15

CHINA HOSPITALS

Ohio—$18.50
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Sand Ridge, $5.50; S. S.: Junior Class (Sand Ridge) $13, ... $ 18.50

Total for the month, ... $ 18.50
Total previously reported, ... 41.55

Total for the year, ... $ 60.05

LIAO CHOU HOSPITAL

Colorado—10.00
W. Dist., S. S.: "Three L" Class (Fruita) $ 10.00

Total for the month, ... $ 10.00
Total previously reported, ... 134.50

Total for the year, ... $ 144.50

AFRICA MISSION

California—$26.34
So. Dist., S. S.: "Conqueror's Class" (Pasadena), ... $ 26.34

Indiana—$169.08
No. Dist., Cong.: Rock Run, $8.25; S. S.: Mrs. H. J. Claybaugh's Class (Middlebury) 9.35; Cradle Roll, Beginners & Primary Classes (Middlebury) $10; Y. P. D.' of District, $131.48, ... 159.08
So. Dist., Cong.: I. A. Teeter (Nettle Creek), ... 10.00

Iowa—$118.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Alice B. Snyder (Cedar Rapids), ... 100.00
No. Dist., Home Dept.: Greene, ... 18.00

North Dakota—$5.00
Indv.: Mrs. Anna Irwin, ... 5.00

Oregon—$9.65
S. S.: Portland, ... 9.65

Ohio—$549.46
N. E. Dist., Canton City (work of H. S. Kulp) 10; No. 93318 (Akron) (Mission dwelling) $500, ... 510.00
So. Dist., Cong.: New Carlisle, $10; Springfield, $9.46; Sherman & Ella Mohler (E. Dayton) 10; C. W. S.: New Carlisle, $10, ... 39.46

Pennsylvania—$180.12
S. E. Dist., Cong.: First Philadelphia, $125; District S. S. Convention, $55.12, ... 180.12

West Virginia—$7.60
First Dist., S. S.: Junior & Primary Classes of Harness Run (Knobley & Beaver Run), ... 7.60

Total for the month, ... $ 1,065.25
Total previously reported, ... 6,079.87

Total for the year, ... $ 7,145.12

AFRICA SHARE PLAN

Maryland—$40.00
E. Dist., S. S.: "Willing Workers" Class (Woodberry-Baltimore) $15; "Men's Bible Class" (Washington City) $25, ... $ 40.00

Pennsylvania—$25.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Spring Run, ... 25.00

Total for the month, ... $ 65.00
Total previously reprted, ... 218.75

Total for the year, ... $ 283.75

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SWEDEN

Spanhusvagen 38, Malmö, Sweden

Graybill, J. F., 1911
Graybill, Alice M., 1911
Buckingham, Ida, 1913

CHINA

Ping Ting Hsien, Shansi, China

Baker, Elizabeth, 1922
Brubaker, Leland S., 1924
Brubaker, Marie Woody, 1924
Cline, Mary E., 1920
Flory, Edna R., 1917
Hollenberg, Ada D., 1922
Hollenberg, John, 1926
Horning, Dr. D. L., 1919
Horning, Martha D., 1919
Metzger, Minerva, 1910
Seese, Norman A., 1917
Seese, Anna, 1917
Schaeffer, Mary, 1917
Smith, W. Harlan, 1920
Smith, Frances Sheller, 1920
Vaniman, Ernest D., 1913
Vaniman, Susie C., 1913

Liao Chou, Shansi, China

Coffman, Dr. Carl, 1921
Coffman, Lulu Ullom, 1919
Flory, Raymond, 1914
Flory, Lizzie N., 1914
Horning, Emma, 1903
Oberholtzer, I. E., 1916
Oberholtzer, Eliz. W., 1916
Pollock, Myrtle, 1917
Senger, Nettie M., 1916
Shock, Laura J., 1916

Shou Yang, Shansi, China

Clapper, V. Grace, 1917
Flory, Byron M., 1917
Flory, Nora, 1917
Heisey, Walter J., 1917
Heisey, Sue R., 1917
Neher, Minneva J., 1924

Tai Yuan, care of Y. M. C. A., Shansi, China

Ikenberry, E. L., 1922
Ikenberry, Olivia D., 1922

Peking, China, Yen Ching, School of Chinese Studies, 5 Tung Ssu, Tao Tiao

Ulrey, Ruth F., 1926

On Furlough

Bowman, Samuel B., 708 S. Central Park Ave., Chicago, Ill., 1918
Bowman, Pearl S., 1918
Bright, J. Homer, 1208 No. Wayne St., No. Manchester, Ind., 1911
Bright, Minnie F., 1911
Crumpacker, F. H., Elgin, Ill., 1908
Crumpacker, Anna N., 1908
Hutchison, Anna, Easton, Md., 1911
Myers, Minor M., Bridgewater, Va., 1919
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Editorial

On March 4 the Christian Women of the world will be uniting in prayer for the work of Christ in all lands. It will be literally true that "From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same, the Lord's name is to be praised." As the earth begins her journey around the sun of that day, groups of women and girls and men, too, in Japan, Korea and China and all the Orient will be wending their way to the trysting place. North and South America will follow; also the Islands of the sea and Europe, Africa and Asia, until the world shall be encircled in a garment of prayer and praise.

Our own women in the Church of the Brethren are joining this victorious throng, and changes will come to pass because of the efforts of that day. Our Sisters' Aid organization really proves itself to be a Sisters' Missionary Society, for they have sounded this call to prayer out to every local Aid group.

Among the conditions of prayer are sincerity of heart and intelligent minds and hands that are willing to be used, even

though the toil be hard and the going sometimes rough. Let the men join in helping the women meet these conditions for successful prayer.

Character That Responds to Law. We cannot depend on laws to save men. Neither prohibition laws, speed laws, church laws nor the divinely-ordained laws will save men apart from individual redemption. The lifting of society to higher levels is certainly desirable and a goal toward which we should work. But we must first deal with the individual if we would bring about reconstruction in justice, in peace and social ethics.

A greater emphasis on the unity of God and the law of the universe is needed in our work of religious education. It is not possible for individuals to make laws or to change the law of God. The task of the church is to acquaint men with God and train them in habits of communion and fellowship with him. Jesus has shown us the Father, and through Christ are we saved. Some one has fittingly said, in speaking of the Ten Commandments, "These are not laws; they are the law." All church laws are an effort at more clearly defining the law of God. Our church will be strengthened if we can build in the hearts of our children, and grown folks as well, the desire and will to obey the law of God. The pronouncement of laws accomplishes little good until this process of conversion and character building has made definite advances.

Prophecy for the Minister and Promotion for the Layman. In how many of our churches is the minister the hired man of the church, supposed to do the greater part of the work of the church? All of the functions come so largely under the control of the minister that he appears to be the ruler of the church. In fact, he often refers to HIS church with an implied sense of ownership. The church needs to be democratic. It does not belong to the minister. The work of the minister needs to be prophetic. While it should not be so far removed from the everyday affairs of life that it has no reference to the daily problems of men, yet the minister should breathe the deep, pure air above the low, smoke-laden sky and bring not only to his church but to the community the truth from the realms of reality. A minister has to get away from the workaday problems of his immediate environment in order to receive such visions.

This leads me to say that every church should have a strong missionary committee that promotes the missionary work of the church. The work of promotion should be shared by the minister, but certainly the laymen and women of the church should bear a heavy part in this work. There is a wide difference in practice in organizing churches for missions. In some congregations the very best and ablest members are placed on the missionary committee. They are heard from. They let their members know about the live issues of missions. Their churches give for missions. In striking contrast to this are congregations that formally elect a missionary superintendent or committee, from which they really do not ask nor expect missionary promotion. Of course there are instances where the work of promotion must necessarily fall on the minister. This situation should be changed. Probably it will be brought about by cultivating laymen in whom there are latent possibilities. Many laymen would develop into special leaders if they were encouraged by being elected delegates to District and Annual Meetings and had other opportunities which help men to develop leadership qualities.

The Situation in China. Our whole church, and particularly the relatives and friends of the missionaries, are anxious to know concerning the safety of our missionaries. The war in China has been in the southern section, and there is no especial disturbance in Shansi Province, where our missionaries are located. Troops have been passing through our territory and railroad service is greatly interfered with. Our missionaries are forced to discontinue sending certain classes of heavy mail, but they have been in no real physical danger except when traveling outside of our province.

The situation for missionaries in other parts has been very disturbing. Many have been forced to leave their work and go to places of safety. We do not anticipate that the war will be extended to the Shansi Province, but war is cruel and uncertain. Let us all pray for the missionaries and particularly for the triumph of righteousness in China.

A Call to Prayer on World Issues

The many critical international problems confronting our country at the present hour have led us to suggest concerted prayer throughout the churches. No hard-and-fast date is fixed, and there is no proposal for interfering in any way with the normal services of worship. The suggestion is rather made that, during March, each minister, in connection with his regular program, direct the attention of his people to the spiritual issues involved in our relations with China, Mexico, Nicaragua, and Europe.

"In view of the many grave problems threatening to disturb the peace of the world today, let every minister turn the thought of his people to those large aspects of the kingdom of God on earth which concern justice, goodwill and peace between nations. Let God's special blessing and guidance be sought, to the end that all who in any way share in the responsibility for our international policies may see their problems and duties in the light of the common interests of all peoples as members of the one family of God.

"Let prayer be offered for China, asking that the United States and other nations may look with sympathy and helpfulness on her problems and be guided to take those actions that may secure justice and goodwill.

"Let prayer be offered that the mutual dealings of the United States, Mexico, and Nicaragua may be right and just in the sight of God.

"Let prayer be offered also that the relations of the United States and Europe may be so guided as to do away with suspicion and ill-will and may lead to mutual sympathy, understanding and helpfulness.

"Let us pray that the vast body of Christian people in our churches may be led by the Spirit of God to see the kingdom of God in its larger relations and responsibilities."

Let all women join on March 4, a day of special prayer for missions, in order that communion with God may be entered into in behalf of kingdom issues.

The Evangelistic Work at Liao Chow

Secretary Bonsack's message to the children who have worked to carry the Gospel to Liao Chow. Charles D. Bonsack and J. J. Yoder spent the last three months of 1926 with the China Mission

CHARLES D. BONSACK

MORE than three thousand children in America are working hard to sustain the evangelistic work at Liao Chow station in China. We wish it might be possible for each of them to see this big field of service with its possibilities. Since this is impossible we shall describe in part this field and what is being done.

The territory embraces five counties, ranging in population from about 125,000 to 140,000 each, or nearly 700,000 in all. The people are scattered over an area about 60 miles wide by 135 miles long. Much of this is mountainous, with scarcely any roads anywhere except donkey paths. There are no railroads within the territory. But the country is beautiful, and most of it is well farmed, indeed. Chinese farmers could teach American farmers many lessons in thrift, and the care of soil and crops. Their little fields are like the best garden beds in America, well tilled and never a weed to be seen. Everything is done with care and by hand work, except plowing, which is a one-handed plow drawn by donkeys or oxen usually.

The people live in villages, going out to their farms near by each day. Their houses are made of mud or brick usually, and covered with tile. Each property has a wall around it, which makes every street a narrow footpath between two walls. They sleep on brick beds called "kangs," under which there is heat in very cold weather. They eat with "chopsticks" all their food, whether it be soup, noodles or cabbage, drinking from the bowl what cannot be readily handled with the sticks. Little children become quite expert in the use of these sticks, and it is most interesting to see them satisfy a good appetite with a dish of noodles. Their clothing is simple and practical, little girls and ladies often wearing trousers like their brothers, but with usually brighter colors. If anything is worn on the head, it is generally a round black cap without any form of brim.

The people in this large territory of Liao Chow are mostly farmers and live with fair comfort, even though the struggle for a living in China is accompanied with hard work and difficulty. There is not as much poverty in this section as in some places in China. The people are a little more responsive to the Christian message than some other places, too. But of course the work will be slow, for those of us in the homeland cannot know all the difficulties of language, different life and customs, which hinder and complex the work of missions. Yet there is so much being done and to be hoped for that it is really surprising and causes us to thank God for those who are working and those who make this possible.

The evangelistic work here and everywhere in China is of greatest importance. This is the foundation of all else and the real purpose of missions. Our missionaries are all united in this opinion more and more as the work grows. Of course schools, hospitals and industrial work are most necessary, but only become permanently so as the Christian constituency is assured through sound and patient evangelism in every contact with the people. So, while it may be more difficult to see the results of this kind of activity than the work of putting up buildings, yet it is all the more important, because the Bible says, "The things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are not seen are eternal."

At the present time Bro. Oberholtzer is looking after this evangelistic work at Liao Chow. He is helped by Bro. R. C. Flory, who is also assisting the farmers to do better farming while he also helps them to be Christians. Sister Nettie Senger spends about all her time in the country among the villages, while Sister Emma Horning at present is working in the town and near-by villages. Sister Laura Shock, meanwhile, is conducting the Girls' School, and Sister Pollock is caring for the sick folks at the hospital. In addition, there are Chinese brethren and sisters helping everywhere—a doctor at the hospital, teachers in the schools, one in charge of the



Our Hanto Christians

Here is a small group of members of a village about twelve miles from Liao Chow. To these we carry the Word every two weeks. They furnish everything, and the mission sends them the preacher, so that a small sum of foreign funds is needed here. The evangelist stands second from the right.

Boys' School, and more than a dozen here and there among the villages, teaching and preaching in schools, homes, and tent. In facs, the important part of the work will always have to be done by the Chinese Christians themselves. They understand their people and can evaluate their customs and thinking so much better than we; but foreign advice and sympathetic guidance will be much needed for a long, long time.

We met with many of these people in their homes in prayer and song. We could not speak to them, except through an interpreter; but it was most interesting to hear them sing and pray. We saw Bro. Oberholtzer baptize six men and women who were most earnest in their purpose; one dear old man praying devoutly during his immersion. A large crowd present was about as respectful as are many such crowds at home.

We have attended two of the love feasts in this field. They are very much like at home, except that we have Chinese food and eat with chopsticks. Much of this is all very new and different to these people, but with the Spirit of Christ in their hearts it will not be long until such a service will be as natural as among our churches at home, though the teaching is difficult and requires much patience and adjustment.

The services at the tent are most encouraging. At night the tent is usually full; but many attend during the entire day. The workers meet in the morning for prayer and then singing, teaching, and reading keep up during the day. The children are taught many Christian songs; in fact, this is one of the best ways of planting the gospel message. One can hear children singing Christian melodies many places, which means much for the future. A worker with children also goes with the tent to give them special teaching. The tent will stay in a place two or three weeks, according to interest, always leaving while the interest is good. Then the work is followed by a permanent Chinese worker. The efforts promise much success if this follow-up work can be made effective.

This evangelistic campaign is being pushed about as fast as the villages want it and are willing to make some sacrifice to have it. The expenses are usually paid by the village apart from the support of the worker. One village is now so strong that they are planning to build their own churchhouse. Of course, in the

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Fruits of Labors

NETTIE M. SENGER
Missionary to China

(Note. This message was written during the summer of 1926)

THIS summer I have realized a hope of years in being able to be in the evangelistic field during the vacation months. It is extremely hot, especially since I went from a high place like Liao Chow to a much lower level and all hemmed in by the highest mountains of this district.

Two vacation Bible classes are in session, and some time is spent with each class to help the student teachers. The children are very much interested and come regularly. They are mostly from Christian homes. They are especially interested in the handwork, knitting caps and mittens. Several of the adults also are coming to learn to knit. They are using local sheep wool spun into thread. The needles are of wire, bought on the streets here. All the people have sheep and can clothe themselves in homespun wool cheaper than in the cotton imported clothing.

Yesterday, at the home of a late village elder, we made a kettle of soap. They are more and more becoming interested in making soap, for they are learning that it can be done. They need help to be able to use all their local products to the best advantage. We hope to be helpful to them in every part of their activities and thoughts. It is only after we live with them until we are well acquainted with their world that we can be of any vital help in their thought life, especially concerning their religion.

We bring new religious truth to them as much as is possible for them to assimilate and utilize. Our aim is not so much to teach a great deal as to get them to live up to the truth they have grasped. This method **does** bring results, and there **are** fruits of our labors.

Just last week we had a time of rejoicing in the Matien church, when seventeen people—four women and thirteen men—representing seven villages, were baptized in the river near here. I, personally, know them all, and have been in their homes often. Their faith is exceptional. Two of the women walked four miles in the forenoon to be baptized in the afternoon. One of them said to me, "If it means death, I am ready to die." She has fought through many a battle, to be able to come this far. Her husband is a Christian, and her son was baptized with her. The daughter, of thirteen, wanted to come, too, but some one had to stay at home to keep gate. She will be baptized next year. The other woman is in her sixties, from the same village, and was led to Christ by her son. With her came her grandson.

Another young woman came seventeen miles, over a mountain, and forded a big river, escorted by her husband, who was to be baptized. The mother, seventy-eight years of age, wanted to be baptized, but did not understand the letter sent and thought she could come a week later and be in time for the baptismal service but miss the classes. I knew how much she wanted to come, so I sent my horse these seventeen miles after her. She got here at five o'clock in the afternoon, all tired out, for what dear old mother of seventy-eight would not be tired after riding in a saddle for half a day! She rested only a minute and went to the river for the service. She was wonderful in the water. We have no way to explain her beautiful, submissive baptism, only that her faith was unusually great. Having arrived late, I had no opportunity to tell her about the service and she had never seen a baptism. She did not know there would be questions asked in the water. When asked if she believed in God, she answered in the affirmative. When asked if she believed in Christ as the Son of God, and her Savior, she answered, "Of course I believe. I believe it all, and have believed for a long time." Her answer seems a bit amusing, but the childlike faith with such great depths makes me want to bow my head and say, "Praise the Lord for such faith."

She was so worn out that the next day she slept most all day, and the following day went home rejoicing. Thirty-four sat at the communion table, and I'm sure there was joy in heaven as God saw the hearts and the faith of these children. The whole community is interested in this young

church. The membership at the communion represented thirteen villages.

This church represents some first fruits of our labors. My prayer through the whole service was that the church be strengthened. Before this, when I partook of the communion, I thought of myself and prayed for my own strengthening. This time I thought only of the new church having their first communion, and I counted only as I could be of use to them. I now know just a little of the agony and strain Paul went through for the churches he had brought into existence. My prayer was that I may be all that I ought to be and not overstep bounds and do for them what they ought to do for themselves.

There are hard battles ahead, for Satan will not give up these people from his ranks without a desperate fight. We are trying to guard against it and do our best to strengthen the new church.

Plans are being put into action for the building of a churchhouse here. Two village elders will have charge of the building program. This church does not need America's money, but it does need very much the prayers of the faithful at home.

When I got to Matien, a week ago, a note was awaiting me from a dear elderly mother in a village seven miles distant. She was very ill and wanted to see me. I was urged to wait until after the communion, but I felt I could not. By her request I prayed at her bedside for her. She asked me to remember her daily. She was not a baptized Christian, for she had never had a chance to be. I left word that I'd come again any day at her call. After she saw the Chinese evangelists and myself she seemed to go down fast, and by the close of the communion service they sent a note saying that she had died. They also sent a donkey to bring my things, and we were to go to the home to stay until after the funeral.

All homes here prepare their own caskets. I helped put the finishing touches on the casket. As we worked the women of the family sat on the floor at the foot of the casket and wept for their departed mother. I also helped make mourning garments. As she lay in her casket she had a peaceful, restful look on her face. She must certainly have been received by her Savior. I could not but weep with the family as this friend of mine, their mother, was carried out to her last resting place. The whole village came out to this, the first Christian funeral

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Within the Gospel Tabernacle

Here are the workers together with some interested ones. Notice the religious and health charts hanging from the sides of the tent. To the right you will notice the curtain that is meant to separate the men and the women listeners. The size of this tent is about thirty by fifty feet.

GOSPEL CAMPAIGN IN TEN CHINESE VILLAGES

There are ten villages within two miles of Liao Chou. We have chosen these for a special campaign this year. They are within easy walking distance from the city, so all are eager to spend a little time from their regular work to help give the Gospel to these near neighbors.

Since the Woman's School is not large this year the teachers take turns each school day in going out with Sister Horning and teaching the women in the homes. They visit each home and select the most interested ones to use as centers in which to strengthen the work.

Each Monday Sister Shock goes out with the band in the interests of the girls' school. Few of the villages have any school work for girls, so we are eager that the rising generation of women know more than their mothers. We are especially eager to get them in our Christian girls' school.

Sister Pollock and the nurses of the hospital take turns often in going out with the band to look after the sick and help teach. Eye trouble and skin diseases are prevalent. The more serious cases are advised to go to the hospital. How like Jesus healing the sick while preaching the Gospel!

The teachers of the boys' school also take their part in this work. On pleasant evenings they take the picture lantern out and show pictures of the life of Christ and health welfare pictures. These meetings are held on the street where the whole village—men, women and children—come together and receive the instructions.

One of the Chinese men evangelists also goes out with the band when he has time. He talks to the men on the street while the women go in the homes. He hangs up his gospel pictures in a public place, and men going to their work are attracted and stop awhile to listen. Old men and children form a crowd and listen a longer time. Thus the seed is sown.

The first aim is to teach them to worship God. They do burn incense to him once or twice a year. From this as a beginning they are taught to worship him every day. Many of them receive the teaching in simple faith from the first time they hear and are now praying to God regularly. One dear old lady said, "I don't take a drink of water without thanking God now."

Industrial and Building Work at Garkidda

CLARENCE C. HECKMAN
Missionary to Africa

SO far as the industrial work at Garkidda is concerned it might more properly be classed under the head of building. With the exception of some experiments and some sawing no other work has been done, to speak of. A brief survey of the building so far might be advantageous.

At the beginning of 1925 there were three white dwellings, a small hospital and a storage place for goods and motor car (turned into shop), with a number of natives' houses for helpers and boys. There was an immediate need for more buildings and an effort was made to supply part of the need. The work of building a horse barn was started in November, 1925. As individual members of the mission were willing to furnish the horses, the mission thought best to provide a building for their permanent abode. Accordingly a barn to house six horses, a wagon and a motor car, was built. This was finished about the end of 1925. Then other building problems presented themselves. Two houses for married hospital assistants were started, along with a small brick kiln, a kitchen for Mr. Beahm and a boys' house for Mr. Mallott. These were finished in the early part of 1925.

There had been a distinct need for another dwelling, and this was started about the first of December, 1925, and finished March 1, 1926. Each new establishment calls for a corresponding new line-up of outside houses—a kitchen, a store, a toilet. These were either built or other buildings were used for the purpose needed. Some new features came about in the building of the new dwelling. Only time will tell whether they are better than the methods used earlier in building here.

The three older houses had to have some repairing done to provide for a dry time during the wet season. Even though the cost of a grass roof is small, as compared to the expense of other materials, such as corrugated iron, it is true that it is a constant expense year after year. It needs frequent repairing. We look forward to the time when we can have more permanent roofs and floors. Cement floors would make mansions out of hovels for most of these houses.

The spring of 1925 some experiments were made with pit sawing, but it was such a new thing to these people, and so new to the whites as well, that little was accomplished, although a few boards were cut and used for chairs and tables. In 1926, after some inquiry, we were able to get two experienced sawyers from the government station at Biu, who came for one month and worked with some of our men from



Pit Sawing



The Path Leading to Our Home

Garkidda, and although our men here did not get enough knowledge to carry on the work themselves, they did learn something of the method of pit sawing. We had some logs sawed that we are now using for tables, cupboards and chairs.

If one could see our compound from the air I imagine it would look like the trails leading out from a cow-watering hole. The natives make paths wherever they want to go, without regard for straightness, convenience or landscape. Our compound comprises about thirty acres of African bush. The houses for the most part are situated on the three hills. The paths lead nowhere or everywhere. We determined to make roads for ourselves and the natives, and to make the compound as pretty as we possibly could. So the work has started. It seems impossible for a black man to realize that if there is a good, broad road leading to the place he wants to go he should follow the road and not the path of former years. But they are learning and will soon forget the location of old paths, we hope. We are outlining the roads with stone and digging ditches at each side for drainage. It necessitates the building of some bridges, another new feature to the Bura. In this beautification program we are outlining the compound with hedge, planting trees, cutting trees where they obstruct the view, moving stones, planting vines and using all the ways we have at hand to present a restful and pleasing picture.

We look forward to the beginning of school and to the starting of the first industrial work. It will likely comprise mat making, basket weaving, and a little later in the year some shop work. We have now on the road two English looms that we will use in the school to teach the boys to make cloth and make their own clothes. The forge has been installed, and some want to learn to make hoes and axes.

The industrial work here offers a big opportunity. We want to make the best of what we have. The boys, and girls too, are very much interested in every phase of school work. We hope, and will you not pray?—that we will be able to keep a jump ahead of them in their school work, and that they may not overlook the fact that it is all in the great plan to do His will.

INDIA NOTES

Bulsar Visitor Notes for December

Jennie Mohler

About the first important event of the month was the return home of the Blickenstaff boys from school. It seemed the most important to their younger brother, Stephen, who had not seen them for several months. They help to liven things up about the compound while they are at home, and then when they leave we miss them all the more.

In thinking of December we associate with it Christmas and all of its joys and the special activities that come at that time. Many of the schoolboys went home for vacation, but the ones who remained were quite busy with programs. One program was given by the boys of the community, on Thursday evening. Then on Christmas Eve the boarding-school boys gave one which they had prepared with the help of Mrs. Blickenstaff, which was quite different from what they usually give. On Christmas morning the Sunday-school gave a program in the church, and in the evening the children in the Wanki school, about a half mile

from the mission compound, gave a program. These programs were well attended and appreciated. On Christmas morning at the church and in the evening at the Wanki the children each received a small gift of sweets. The Christmas offering in the church amounted to about ten rupees. On Monday after Christmas all the Christian community went out to the seashore and had a common meal together, cooked after they arrived there. This is an annual event they all enjoy, for it is about the only time in the year that any of them get out, though it is only about three and a half miles from here. About two hundred of them ate together, including the children.

The Wagoners and Miss Shumaker were out in the district in evangelistic work most of the month; they received a hearty reception wherever they went, and found the people glad to hear the Word preached. This is most gratifying, for this has been a hard district to work, and there has been so much opposition that not much could be done until in the few last years, in which time conditions have become more favorable.

The general health of the public has been considerably better than usual at this time of the year, and consequently the medical work has been lighter. The total number of patients has not been much smaller, but there have been fewer serious cases. There has been much less malaria and pneumonia in the months during the monsoon and the close, when there is usually so much. This is true not only of our dispensary and our missionary doctors, but all the doctors and practitioners throughout this section report the same condition. The same has been true in the health of the missionaries. For all this we are most grateful and pray that it may continue.

On the last day of the old year Dr. Cottrell's brother, Bro. D. O. Cottrell, and his wife landed in Bombay for a visit with the doctors and others of our mission and other places in India. They had just given up their pastorate at Rocky Ford, Colo., before leaving for this tour, and will take up the pastorate at New Enterprise, Pa., on their return to America.

Palghar

Nora Hollenberg

The boys' school was dismussed during Devali (the large annual festival of the Hindoos) for two weeks. One reason for such a long recess was to cater to the good wishes of the parents of our Hindoo boys, who comprise nearly half of the total number enrolled in the school. Then, too, most of the teachers wanted to attend the agricultural exhibit in Poona. Such a privilege was a rare treat for them.

The Christian boys who remained here during Devali vacation worked hard each day to make their school home neat and clean. They whitewashed, cleaned and made floors in a splendid manner. The schoolrooms and their cook house never before looked so inviting.

At present the carpenter shop is under construction. The framework is only partly finished, and the sawyers are busy getting rafters and boards into shape. There is much need for this carpenter shop. Some of the Hindoo men are very desirous of receiving industrial training.

The outstanding and joyful event of early December was the completion of the long-hoped-for well, which was begun in July. At a depth of 102 feet the boring men refused to go farther and pronounced it a success. They applied their pump and extracted at the rate of 600 gallons per hour without lowering the water point. They said that a well may be considered a success when water can be secured at the rate of 250 gallons per hour. All indications are that this is a fine well, but after all, this coming hot season will test the actual worth of it. The boarding boys are very, very happy to have a well so near, and to pump water rather than to draw by rope and bucket. The missionary family indulges in the use of this water for drinking purposes without boiling it—a privilege few missionaries have.

CHINA NOTES FOR DECEMBER

Marie Brubaker

Ping Ting

Dec. 9, Miss Ada Dunning and Mr. John Hollenberg were united in marriage at the chapel of the girls' school. It was a rare privilege for the Chinese who were invited to witness a real Christian wedding, and to the missionaries an event of a missionary lifetime. The chapel was beautifully decorated with pine, mistletoe, and potted plants. Bro. Charles D. Bonsack performed the ceremony, which was very impressive. After the wedding about seventy guests were invited to Wisteria Cottage, the home of Miss Minerva Metzger, Miss Mary Cline, and the bride, to a wedding supper. Though the olives were not relished by some of the Chinese present, any more than we relish some of their delicacies, every one had an enjoyable evening and all joined in wishing the bride and groom much joy in their wedded life in China.

On the morning of Dec. 10 all of the foreign missionaries met in the first session of our special mission meeting, which had been planned that we might have an opportunity of discussing our problems with Brethren Yoder and Bonsack. For the first time in many years all of the missionaries and children were able to be present. During the following five days we discussed freely our various problems, and much appreciation was felt for the splendid way in which our visiting brethren entered into the spirit of the work and for their keen insight into our problems. At the close of our last session Sister Grace Clapper was anointed, with the hope that she may be restored to health and thus be able to take up her work again.

Brethren Yin and Smith conducted a class during the month, for the purpose of instructing inquirers preparatory to baptism. A class was held also for the three women inquirers.

December 23 was a big day. In the forenoon three

women and eleven men were received into the church. Of this number there were two family groups, consisting of father, mother, and son. What a pleasure it is to see whole families accepting Christ together! In the evening, after an examination service together, about two hundred members joined in the love feast and communion service.

The women of the Bible School enjoyed a Christmas tea together one afternoon. Each woman had prepared for another a gift that was not to amount to more than one copper (one-fourth of a cent). They had a great deal of enjoyment out of the experience. At the close of the program each one was given a sewing bag that was sent out by the Palmyra vacation school.

Mrs. Brubaker also had a party for about forty of her industrial women. They drank tea, told stories and had a good time for a while; then they were given cloth enough for an upper garment.

On Christmas day many gathered to enjoy the program arranged by Bro. Smith. The program was given by the Chinese and was one of the best we have had for some time. At noon the mission family were together at the Seese home for the Christmas dinner. The children gave their program and received their gifts in the afternoon. We always enjoy these occasions when we can be together.

Liao

Last fall a new venture was made in church services for the children when we began our Junior church. The services are in charge of Sister Shock and Mr. Tsai, one of our Chinese Christian teachers. A different speaker gives them a Bible story each week. They have their own secretary, and one of their own number also helps with the lantern pictures that close the service. These meetings are held in the basement of the church at the same time the regular service convenes. The children appear to enjoy their own worship, and there seems to be no desire on their part to return to the adult service.

Sister Shock and Miss Liu, one of the teachers in the girls' school, have been holding a "get-acquainted" campaign in the city. They go out in the homes each afternoon and strive to make the acquaintance of the people near them. It is their purpose, as near as possible, to visit every home in the city. They have received a hearty welcome in all the homes thus far visited, and it has been a pleasure to bring the schools, the hospital and our Bible work before the minds of the people.

We have been quite busy during this month because of the Christmas season. Mrs. Pan, our Bible woman, has been teaching about twenty-one women to read and sing hymns. She goes into sixteen homes. Many of these women are young and are not allowed to go out of their courts very much. They are glad to have an opportunity to read at home. We have a good opportunity to teach them Bible stories along with their reading, and some want to know more and have promised to enter the Woman's Bible School. To teach the lesson of Christmas and give the people a little of Christ's spirit, we had the Christian women decorate their homes with cut-outs of the wise men and camels, Mary and Joseph, and donkey, shepherds, etc. Then they invited their friends in, and some one in the court or a Bible woman told the Christmas story and sang songs. The hostess sometimes served tea, and pictures or cards were given to the children present. There were about twelve or fourteen of these meetings. The Christian women enjoyed them, and we hope their friends got some of the real message of Christmas.

On Christmas afternoon and on Sunday afternoon some of the teachers, schoolboys, and country evangelists went out into the near-by villages and sang songs and told the Christmas story.

We had a very pleasant service on Christmas morning at the church. We had Christmas songs from the schools, Bible verses from the women and men, short talks about Christmas hymns, and prayers, and the Hallelujah Chorus by a group of the members. Though mistakes were made and all was not perfectly rendered, the service was enjoyed by all. The willingness and coöperation of the workers, both men and women, and of our members, made us feel that Jesus' Spirit of love and fellowship has entered, in a measure, into the hearts of our people here. May God bless them all and help them to grow in grace and the knowledge of his truth.

Our missionary group was small this Christmas, but nine of us and two Chinese girls had dinner together at the Oberholtzers', and a short program followed.

The joy of the day was disturbed when the church-house caught fire from one of the furnaces and burned about twenty-five square feet of the floor. But warning was given in time and the fire was soon extinguished. So we can rejoice that the church building was saved.

Shou Yang

Every one is busily engaged with the preparations for Christmas programs. It puts a great deal of enthusiasm into the work. The Chinese are especially fond of entertainment, and the greatest problem we have with the Christmas program is to keep the real Christmas sentiment foremost in the minds of the people. Our constant prayer is that they may worship the Babe, even as the wise men did.

Bro. Li Cheng Wang's mother died during the last days of November. Brethren Bonsack and Yoder were privileged to visit in his home while the mother was lying in state. Mrs. Li was a remarkable woman. She was not a baptized Christian, but was of the most splendid type of China's womanhood. All the people of the village venerate her. Although the family are very poor, the village people came out in large numbers to attend the funeral. She was 93 years old.

Among the recent developments at Shou Yang, for which we are most thankful, is the appreciable decline and weakening of the anti-Christian attack.

The organization which was formed last summer seems to have about spent itself; at least it does not have enough enthusiasm to keep its sign uncovered. We noticed that there was another large sign hanging over the anti-Christian organization sign. Upon enquiry we were told that the organization did not amount to anything anyway, so the sign is just as well covered up. We can not tell just what this means, but we are most thankful to see this much weakening in the camp of the devil.

The foreign personnel of the Shou Yang Station attended the called mission meeting at Ping Ting. We enjoyed the splendid fellowship and spiritual messages of the Board's deputation. In our constant contact with sin we stand the more in need of the spiritual refreshment of those who love the Lord. If you have thought the China missionaries are cold and lifeless, will you please pray harder for us. The devil has almost free range in China.

Tai Yuan

The week before Christmas Mrs. Chang, our Bible woman, went around and visited all the women we have touched in our work, and told them about Christmas. She also told them about our special programs to be given Sunday, Dec. 26, and asked them to make a special effort to be present. As a result of her efforts we had the best attendance of women and children that we had had this year.

On Friday we had a special program in the girls' school in connection with our Women's Evangelistic Department. There was one little girl who had never heard the Christmas story. She was a new student in our school, having entered just a few weeks before. She had been attending a Buddhist school in the city. Every morning before they begin their studies, the students who attend that school have to go in and prostrate themselves before the idol. Since entering our school she has become much interested in the Bible stories, and we hope eventually not only to win her but her family. If she comes early to school our Bible woman, who lives in the same court as the school, invites her in and shows her Bible pictures and tells her Bible stories. She is a bright little girl, and goes home and tells all that she hears to her mother. Her mother then asks our Bible woman about what the little girl has told her, and thus we are making our contact for Christ.

On Sunday morning Pastor Li told the Christmas story to a large and attentive audience. We also had several special Christmas hymns sung, besides those sung by the congregation. At this time of year a special offering was taken, which was used to buy grain to give to the poor. In the afternoon we had more special music and a program given by the boys' club and girls' school. As the anti-Christian students of the city had been rather boisterous on the streets on Christmas day, some of our workers were rather worried about our Christmas programs on Sunday, so they got together and prayed about it. Our programs were given in a very orderly way, and the audience was very attentive, so our workers thanked our Father in heaven and were very happy over our Christmas.

This month, as there were five weeks in the month, we had our turn to visit the model prison of the city. As religious workers are allowed in only once a week, the time is allotted to the various missions of the city. We have the fifth Thursday in the month when there is one.

Plans for the New Year are well under way, and the workers of the city have already planned the program for the World Week of Prayer. Pray for us, that the work of the new year may be better than any year before and that the kingdom of heaven may grow in China.

THE EVANGELISTIC WORK AT LIAO CHOW

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most of them the group of Christians is yet small. But the need is everywhere. **In one village where we stayed over night, a young lad of seventeen in a government school came to us when he heard that some Christians had quarters at the inn for the night, to plead for us to come and have service. His grandfather was a Christian. Thus the seed grows slowly, but surely.**

Among the memories of this work that will linger with us for the encouragement of those who make it possible, are the groups of children singing hymns of praise and gladness; the great change in the faces of those who have learned of the hope of the Gospel; some aged saints whose beaming faces tell their hope of heaven; the Chinese evangelists whose constant and earnest work for their people stirs our own indifference; a Chinese Christian who pointed with shame to the place where he laid the bodies of two Christians he killed in the Boxer War before he knew the Lord, and last, but not least, the difficulties our own missionaries have in reaching this wonderful people and to have them know they are here only to help them and bring all that is best for their present and future blessing. It is a great work; and do not forget to pray as we give! For in the strength of the Lord alone can there be victory.

A GOOD DEED FOR MARCH

March is the beginning of the business year for the General Mission Board. Why not start the missionary year well by a whole-souled offering? Especially if you did not share in the February effort to close the old year with all obligations paid in full.

The Workers' Corner

The editor invites helpful contributions for this department of the Visitor

MISSIONARY NEWS

Panther Creek (Iowa) B. Y. P. D. Sets Up Goal for Africa. The Brethren Young People's Departments are studying about Africa, and as their special part are raising money to pay the cost of all new buildings to be erected this year. A good example of the fine spirit is shown by the young people of Panther Creek, Iowa. In this church of 193 members the young people have set up a goal of $100. Hazel Cluts is their president.

Timberville (Va.) children were able to make a nice contribution to missions because they did without a Christmas treat in their Sunday-school. We hope that the joy they received from sacrifice for others was worth much more than the joy from a treat.

Student Volunteer Convention. The next Student Volunteer convention will be held Dec. 28, 1927, to Jan. 1, 1928. It is purposed by its leaders to make the convention decidedly missionary in its character. The determination of its exact character is made difficult because of many changing aspects of missions, but we are glad to know that it is to be missionary in its emphasis.

A Marriage Announcement. The Mission Rooms were the recipient of a formal marriage announcement in January. It reads as follows:

"Mr. and Mrs. Philip Masterton announce the marriage of their daughter Christina, to Rev. H. Stover Kulp, M. A., on Wednesday, the eighth of December, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, United Free Church, Cockenzie, Scotland."

During the same month the Mission Rooms received a communication from the foreign mission offices of the United Free Church of Scotland, at Edinburgh, giving a very high recommendation for the bride. A portion of their letter reads as follows:

I understand it is usual for your Board to receive particulars with regard to the wives of your missionaries. We congratulate you on having now on your roll our former missionary, Miss Christina Masterton, now Mrs. Kulp. Mrs. Kulp's resignation will only reach my board on the 21st of December, and will, I know, be received with very great regret. I shall forward to you later the formal minute of resignation.

Meanwhile, I should like to bear testimony of the very excellent work which Mrs. Kulp accomplished while she served under our committee for three years in Livingstonia. Before being appointed as a missionary, Mrs. Kulp had two years' special missionary training in the Women's Missionary College, Edinburgh. While there she displayed unusual aptitude for handicrafts of all kinds, and took a very keen and active interest in all the activities of the college and a very excellent place in her classes.

The Livingstonia Mission Council located her at Lubwa, and there Mrs. Kulp had full charge of the work amongst women and girls along with the missionary's wife, Mrs. McMinn. I enclose a copy of the report of her work during the year 1924 for your information. In addition to the usual practical work in the Girls' Boarding School at Lubwa, in which all the girls made excellent progress, special instruction was given in oil and soap making, sewing, washing and ironing.

While at home on furlough, Mrs. Kulp had taken additional classes in handicrafts and in spinning and weaving. Her aptitude for languages was quite outstanding, her ear being so keen that she was able to distinguish sounds not hitherto known in Bemba language. So impressed were the committee with her gift for languages that they asked her to take special training at the Oriental School of Studies in London.

We very much regret losing from our mission one whose work and influence was so outstanding, but our good wishes follow Mr. and Mrs. Kulp to their work in Nigeria.

Mrs. Kulp has arranged to make formal application for missionary service under the Church of the Brethren and in every way meet the standard requirements. From sources other than her board we have heard high compliments for her, and we welcome her into the fellowship of our Brotherhood.

Light on the Chinese Situation

We are all interested in the truth regarding the development of Christianity in China. At the recent meeting of the Foreign Missions Conference, at Atlantic City, four addresses by men of authority were made regarding China. The four men are Dr. Robert E. Speer, Prof. Timothy Lew, Mr. Roger S. Greene, and Rev. Alfred A. Gilman. Their messages were so highly valuable that the Conference ordered them printed in pamphlet form. They will be most interesting and valuable to any who are anxious to know the truth regarding the growth of the church in China. The pamphlet may be secured for 30c in stamps from the General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill., Attention Educational Department.

Missionary Review Special to All Ministers

The Missionary Review of the World, price $2.50, is an illustrated interdenominational monthly record of Christian progress. Its editor is Delavan L. Pierson, and its board of directors is presided over by Robert E. Speer. The Review gives up-to-date missionary information about all parts of the world. The articles are all sufficiently popular to appeal not only to ministers, but to others interested in missions.

In recognition of the service rendered and the leadership assumed in the field of missions by the ministers of the Church of the Brethren, the General Mission Board, upon receipt of one dollar from any active minister in the Church of the Brethren, will pay the balance necessary to supply a full year's subscription. It will be appreciated by the board if all such subscriptions could be sent in not later than the last of March. This will minimize the clerical work in our office. Please send cash with your order.

CORRESPONDENCE

4613 49th St., N. W.,
Washington, D. C.,
Jan. 17, 1927.

General Mission Board,
Elgin, Ill.
Dear Brethren:

I am writing to tell you of the climax of the mission work with the children of the Washington City church for the year 1926. We had a delightful entertainment for the boys and girls, after which we awarded prizes—missionary books on China to the winners.

The children have earned $183.20 in all. Our treasurer, Dr. C. Resser, will send you the check for that amount.

We just wanted to tell you a bit about the past year's work. We are hoping to do greater things in the present year.

Yours in His service,
Naomi C. Evans,
Sec. of Missionary Com.

Fairview Church of the Brethren,
Alpha, Sask., Canada,
Jan. 31, 1927.

General Mission Board,
Elgin, Ill.
Dear Brother:

I am reading "Christian Heroism in Heathen Lands." At the close of the book it tells about reading six books for the seal course. I want the seal course. Is it still offered? What book should I read? I want to begin reading at once.

Yours truly,
J. E. Wells.

Feb. 4, 1927.

Dear Brother Wells:

Replying to your card of Jan. 31, we have revised our mission study course from the plans that were effective a few years ago. We no longer call it the seal course, but, as you know by our diploma, we promote for recognition to be given for those who do extra reading. For your reading I suggust the following six books:

Our Missions Abroad, by Moyer, 50c.
Early Days at Vyara, by Ross, 75c.
In Sunny Nigeria, by Helser, $1.50.
China's Real Revolution, by Hutchison, 75c in cloth, 50c in paper.
Young Islam on Trek, by Matthews, $1 in cloth; 60c in paper.
The Cost of a New World, by Maclennan, $1.

In order to give you an option on different books, I will suggest more, and you may take your choice of six out of any of these.

The Story of Missions, by White, 75c in cloth; paper, 50c.

Our Templed Hills, by Felton, $1 in cloth; paper, 60c.

Sincerely yours,
H. Spenser Minnich,
Educational Secretary.

Omak, Wash.,
Jan. 28, 1927.

H. Spenser Minnich,
Elgin, Ill.
Dear Brother Minnich:

The Omak Y. P. D. is certainly glad for the "Building in Africa" fund, and although we do not feel that we would like to make any definite pledge for the year, we do pledge to do our best.

I am enclosing a money order for $10, our first offering for the fund. We will be glad to receive any suggestions or helps that you have for us from time to time.

For the advancement of his kingdom, I am
Sincerely yours,
Signed: Mrs. Ralph E. Breshears,
Treas. Omak Y. P. D.

Feb. 1, 1927.

Dear Brethren:

For several years the junior boys and girls of the White Rapids church, Wis., have been raising or earning money for missionary work.

The first year each child was given twenty-five cents by the pastor to invest, and the proceeds were given to world-wide missions. Since then the children or their parents have furnished the investment. They look forward to this work as a part of the yearly program and are already planning this year's work.

Last spring nine children, four boys and five girls, enrolled in the Junior League. They were Geneveve, Arthur and Junior Keim, Rachel and Emaline Heestand, Thelma Anglemyer, and Martin, Paul and Effie Harley. A total of $51.65 was given for the work in China. One of the boys raised $8.05 while none gave less than $4. Three raised potatoes; three raised vegetables which they sold at a construction camp; two raised chickens and one earned money planting and hoeing truck for her mother.

The children seem to greatly enjoy the work and are eager to earn the largest amount possible. They are happy when they have had a successful summer. One boy, who raised vegetables last summer, was given $2 for pulling automobiles out of the mud with his horse. Some one suggested a way to spend the money. He answered, "Not much; that is going to be missionary money."

We hope to have more children enrolled this year.

It is remarkable how much can be realized from a small plot of ground if planted to vegetables and given good care. Three children, brothers and sister, planted one bushel of potatoes valued at seventy-five cents and realized $23.15.

We believe that if the children continue in this work they will give the Lord his share of their earnings when they grow up, as they have early learned the joy of giving and working for him.

O. L. Harley, Amberg, Wis.

AFRICA PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS

(Note. In the October Missionary Visitor promise was made that suggestions for program material suitable for the closing of the Africa Mission Study course would be offered in this issue. The following are given as suggestions. In every case they should be adapted to local needs.)

1. Present an original dialogue, in which a few take the part of missionaries to Africa, while others assume the part of Africans. The missionaries should present the gospel message. The African people may give their answers for accepting or rejecting the Christian religion. They may ask a great many questions, for obviously they will need much information about this strange religion that has come to them. A medical scene could be arranged, in which the doctor ministers to those who are sick. Equally well could a school scene be planned. The subject matter for these scenes can well be drawn from "in Sunny Nigeria" and the supplementary material offered for the Africa course.

2. Invite a Negro speaker to your church to address the congregation. Perhaps there is within reach a colored minister, lawyer, teacher, or college student who could give you a helpful message.

3. Give an African dialogue. Two are suggested:

a. Ordered South, 15c.

b. Robert and Mary, 25c.

4. Present a true false test. This is done by making certain statements about Africa and Africa mission work which may be either true or false. Ask the folks in the audience to mark the true statemenst with a plus sign and the false statements with a minus sign. The questions may be written on a blackboard. The following questions are samples of the kind you may ask. After

the test is over a profitable discussion could be entered into on some of the questions:

(1) Africa is nearly as large as the United States.

(2) Our mission work is located in southern Africa.

(3) Missionaries in our territory need to take quinine daily.

(4) The people of Africa are already religious.

(5) Most of the Africans where we work can read and write.

(6) We expect the African people to build their churchhouses similar to ours in America.

Of the foregoing questions 1 and 2 are false, 3 and 4 are true, 5 and 6 are false. For a typical test on Africa see page 339, October (1926) Visitor.

5. Serve an African meal. This can be done easily if the B. Y. P. D. group is small. While the meal is being eaten or immediately thereafter a discussion of Africa can be engaged in.

Menu for African Meal

Sister A. D. Helser was asked to give information concerning foods eaten by the Bura people of Nigeria, Africa. The following is her reply:

I make a number of suggestions and each class could select from these for their menu as the African rarely has more than one "dish" for his meal. No class will want to serve all of the things mentioned.

(1) Buttermilk.

(2) Pumpkin and peanuts (cook and mash the pumpkin and combine with ground roasted peanuts or peanut butter).

(3) Sweet potatoes roasted in the coals.

(4) Stiff mush served with either spinach, beans cooked with meat and meat sauce. (Put a ball of stiff mush in a half gourd and pour whichever sauce you choose to use to one side of the mush. Three or four may eat at one such gourd. Take a portion of the mush in the fingers, dip it in the soup and then quickly put it in the mouth.)

(5) Peanuts in the shell roasted in the coals.

(6) Meat might be roasted in the fire or cooked very tender so that it falls off the bone but they can seldom afford it.

(7) Buttermilk and mush gruel. (A portion of mush is worked up with buttermilk until it forms a gruel which they drink.)

For further information about such a meal write to Sister Marguerite Burke, 509 Honore St., Chicago. This meal could be eaten by a larger group than the B. Y. P. D. if local conditions are suitable.

6. Public program on Africa. Assign a number of subjects which were discussed in the class study. Different members of the group should speak to the whole church on these topics. Suggestive subjects are as follows:

The Religions of Africa.
The Colonization of Africa.
Early Missionary Heroes.
Social Customs in Buraland.
Womanhood.
Methods of Mission Work.
How Medical Work Gives Opportunity to Serve.

If this program is to take the entire evening a well-planned worship service should be a part of the program. Adapt the following to your needs:

Worship Program

Prelude—Lead On, O King Eternal, No. 255.*

Song—Jesus Calls Us, No. 229.

Worship Through Scripture—Luke 8: 26-38.

Hymn—Jesus Shall Reign, No. 373.

Worship Through Prayer

1. That we may have an increasing interest in the people of Africa.
2. That we may have a new realization of their needs.
3. That we may have greater earnestness in making Christ known in Africa.

Worship Through Giving

Have one of the group explain that the young people of the church are providing for the buildings in our Africa mission, and state the amount the local group plans to contribute.

The Leader—Freely ye have received, freely give. Every man according as he hath purposed in his heart, so let him give: not grudgingly or of necessity, for God loveth a cheerful giver.

Hymn—We've a Story to Tell to the Nations, No. 370.

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* Numbers refer to Church of the Brethren Hymnal.

The Women's Department

Conducted by Nora M. Rhodes

How Interest Young Sisters in Aid Society Work

MRS. PEARL BONTZ

THIS subject raises an important question, for certainly the young women of the church should be interested in her activities, and especially those that relate to women.

The question implies that the young sisters are not interested in Aid Society work, or at least not interested as they should be. It is perhaps too much to expect all of them to be interested; at least, all members are not equally interested in all lines of church work. This is the day of the young people as probably never before. They take a liberal part in all kinds of work, and the older ones should rejoice in it. It is a hopeful sign.

What are the conditions that would lead the young women of the church to be interested in Aid Society work? In the first place, they must be Christian women. They must know God and the fellowship of his Spirit. This condition gives us interest in the work of the kingdom of God. The work of the church must rest heavily upon the heart. Let the young women be brought to see their responsibility, and let them know they are responsible to the limit of their ability and opportunity. We must all know that the work of the church is left to human hands. The bringing of the world to God is our task. Out of this conviction must come our interest if it comes at all.

In the next place, the Aid Society should recommend itself. What it actually does must speak. The young people of today want to do something worth-while. They have the ambition to render valuable service—something that counts. Our Aid Society is doing a real work, giving real service. The amount of money raised yearly, the greater amount of charity work not reported, and the spirit moving it being due to the love of God and man shed abroad in our hearts, put up a wonderful appeal. If these things could be summed up and shown, it would look good and would call to the young women for their interest and support. Effort should be made to this end. The work of the Society should be exalted, not to praise ourselves, but to praise a good and worthy work. The work of the Society must win its own way, just as the needlework of Dorcas won its way.

In the next place, something depends upon the older sisters and leaders in the work. The older women lead in the organization and management of the Society, which is as it should be. They can do much to recommend the work of the Society to the younger women. Then, in the actual work, the young women should have an active part. The young should be encouraged to take part in the consideration of the business, and in giving public programs they should by no means be neglected. There is nothing like work to inspire interest and grow it. Here is a great opportunity.

There are age lines, of course, and it cannot be otherwise, but the greatest effort should be made to have the old and young mingle as if all were of the same age. Young people expect the older ones to recognize them in work and help them find their place. Hardly anything goes so far to help young people as a sympathetic attitude of the older folks toward them.

In conclusion, I would recommend public meetings and programs of the Society, covering certain territory. It can be done by State Districts. These meetings should be held once a year or oftener. Reports should then be made, as full as possible. Such

meetings have a place, and they are especially inviting to the young.

Penn Laird, Va.

AID SOCIETY BEGINNINGS

Flora E. Teague

In writing up the early history of our Aid Societies this article must necessarily be restricted, as I have so few data and my close knowledge is limited to but few Aids.

In the A. M. minutes I find naught in regard to Sisters' Sewing or Aid Societies prior to 1895. However, some years earlier an attempt was made to secure the sanction of the Brotherhood for them. But the attempt failed. In 1895 the Annual Meeting fully granted them.

Many sisters so strongly felt the need for such organizations, and had such large visions of great good that might be done through them, that they were led quietly to begin the work in a few local churches.

At Mt. Morris, Ill., in 1893, Sister Salome Stoner Myers, Sister Ida Royer Myers, and the writer of this article obtained the consent and encouragement of Bro. J. G. Royer, president of the college in which we were students, and Bro. D. E. Price, elder of the church there, to start an organization. We did so. It was composed of a number of the resident sisters and many women students of the college.

Our aim was spiritual culture, fellowship of resident sisters with the students, and charity work and assistance.

The organization grew. Sometimes the number was small, then a revival of enthusiasm occurred and the baby Aid grew to full adulthood, and is still "carrying on."

We arranged the best constitution we knew how. Many of the students, after leaving the Mount, wrote back for copies of this constitution, which enabled them to originate a band in their home churches.

Today many of those dear young sisters are very active Aid workers throughout our Brotherhood.

The few acorns dropped at an early date are now strong, fruit-bearing oaks. The few local Aids are now prominent and stable ones, and the results of seed they have sown only the Great Estimator can tell.

La Verne, Calif.

IN BURA LAND

Composed by S. M. Burger

(Sing to tune to "Beulah Land")

1. In Bura Land I take my stand,
   I'll live or die at His command.
   I mean to live and teach and pray
   And preach the world from day to day.

Chorus:

O Bura Land, dear Bura Land,
As in the hottest clime I stand.
I look away across the waves,
Where dear ones sing his love and praise,
And then go on his love to sing
And teach the world of Christ my King.

2. In Bura Land I make my plan
   To preach to every native man.
   No matter what his creed or clan
   I'll preach the Christ and His command.

3. In Bura Land how glad I am
   To work for Him, the great I Am,
   Who draws the souls of pagan men
   To his great love without an end.

4. In Bura Land I am complete
   With Christ my Lord to guide my feet.
   I'll stand the storms of rain and heat,
   And sing God's love to all I meet.

Arrowood, Alta.

FRUITS OF LABORS

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ever conducted there, and wept for their friend, who was taken away to be laid in a tomb made after the fashion of the one in which Christ was laid.

In several months there will be two Christian weddings in this church, and both families have already personally invited me to be present. It helps them more than we know to be with them at these great events of their lives, and helps them to distinguish between truth and superstition.

The pleasures so far outnumber the hardships in this kind of work that I do not think of them as I once did. It is wonderful to have a part in bringing souls into the rich and abundant life of Christ.

In praying for me, pray that my life, as it touches theirs, may be exemplary.



Conducted by Aunt Adalyn



Bernice Miller and Anna Stover, Comrades

HOW THE BALL KEEPS ROLLING

Just like a snowball which some youngster started on the lawn, and turned over and over, and it got bigger and bigger, and everything it touched stuck fast, so this Liao Chou ball has grown so big that it would take eight thousand eighty one-dollar bills to reach around it! That was the size of it on Feb. 15, 1927.

Now we'll crate this big ball of dollars and ship it to Liao Chou. And all you kiddies will hitch up your trousers, buckle up your belts another notch, take a long breath, and wade into the Africa proposition!

It seems the game of ball in some form is the greatest favorite among all children. Now let's gather up all the dollars growing in the ground or hanging from the trees, sew them up in a monster pigskin, and kick it clear across the Atlantic to the black folks in Nigeria! Won't they be surprised? But I don't believe it will be very long till they catch on to the idea, and maybe they will be playing the game with us from that side! Do you think they could teach us anything? Let's make the experiment anyhow. I know somebody is going to get some thrills out of it! Aunt Adalyn.

Marion, Pennsylvania

On Dec. 19 the Comrades of the Browns Mill, Pa., Sunday-school handed in their money, amounting to $42.77, for the Liao Chou mission work. The children experienced a real pleasure in having a part in this work, and seem eager to go forth to the work of 1927.

Among these children were the two little girls in the picture—Bernice Miller, on the swing, and Anna Stover, standing. Handing in her China offering was Anna's last work in Sunday-school. The following Tuesday she became ill, pneumonia developed, and on Dec. 28 she very peacefully passed away.

The Browns Mill Sunday-school greatly feels the loss, but most of all is she missed by her foster parents, Brother William and Sister Maud Stover.

E. Grace Brechbill.

Morrill, Kansas

Please find enclosed our missionary investment money from the Primary Department of the Morrill Sunday-school. We have $85.83 brought in from $11.75 investment. Our best donor was Gorden Yoder, the same boy as last year, eight years old. He brought $10.15. We have fallen down from our donation last year, but hope we have worked as hard and that it means as much to us as it did last year.

Mrs. J. J. Flickinger.

Strathmore, California

Enclosed find $77.13 as the offering for the China Mission from the children of the Lindsay (N. Calif. Dist.) Sunday-school.

This was their first attempt at anything of this kind and they were very enthusiastic. As the time drew near for the opening of the barrels, interest ran high and the adults were fully as anxious as the children. They voted heartily to go into it again in 1927.

Effie Metzger.

Rock Lake, North Dakota

Enclosed please find names of Juniors of Brumbaugh Sunday-school, and what they did to earn money for Liao Chou hospital:

Raised chickens, Marguerite Deal, $3.80; Robert Deal, $3.80; Joseph Deal, $2.00; Ramona Boehmke, $2.50; Willie Boehmke, $2.50; Ida Sampson, $2.00; Ella Sampson, $2.00; Marie McDermott, 50 cents; Deloris Geber, $3.00.

Raised potatoes, Charles McDermott, $2.00; Willie McDermott, $2.00; Frank McDermott, $2.00. Raised honey, David Sampson, $4.00. Raised a goose, Irene McDermott, $1.50.

Mrs. Irvin Deal, Leader,
Rock Lake, N. D.

Northeastern Ohio

Enclosed find $61.00 from the Center Sunday-school, Louisville, for Liao Chou, China. Proceeds from the quarters which the children had invested. They raised chickens, tomatoes, corn, picked berries, washed dishes, ran errands, etc. Sunday afternoon, Nov. 21, the children brought their earnings in envelopes, and after singing "Little Givers," presented their offering and told how they had earned the same. This was followed by a missionary address by a returned missionary.

Savilla Taylor,
Sec. Miss. Com.

Plymouth, Indiana

Enclosed you will find a dollar to place with your World Wide Mission money.

Our boy instead of spending money for fire crackers last July 4, is sending a dollar so some other little boys and girls can go to Sunday-school. This is from the Mt. Pleasant Church in Northern Indiana, Galen Hanawalt, sender. This should have been sent long ago but the letter was misplaced.

Hoping it might do some little good because Galen was overjoyed to do something,

Yours sincerely,
Nov. 5, 1926. Mrs. Alma Hanawalt.



Junior Department and Mrs. S. M. Harbaugh, Missionary Superintendent of the South Waterloo Sunday-school

Western Maryland

Here are some of the twenty-eight working for Liao Chou, in Cherry Grove church, near Avilton. Several mission study books are being read and passed along. On Sunday evening, Oct. 3, they gave a missionary program at the regular Christian workers' hour. Besides presenting the needs of China, through songs, recitations, exercises, etc., the story and posters just received from Elgin were used, and many of the children gave one minute talks on "How I Am Earning Money." Here are some of the ways brought out at the program and in meetings with their adult adviser: Selling apples, working on the road, picking peaches; and raising corn, chickens, potatoes, tomatoes, cucumbers. They are planning a Thanksgiving program, at which time the offering will be used toward the support of Bro. Flohr in Africa. The older folks decided to give their part of the offering for the same cause, since the young people of Maryland support Bro. Flohr. All are anxious for the Christmas program for at that time the offering for Liao Chou will be taken.

Irva Kendrick Haney, Adult Adviser.
November, 1926.



Mrs. Mary E. Beeghley, Dayton, Ohio, sends fifteen dollars from the Junior League of the Ft. McKinley Sunday-school, for Liao Chou. They earned their money gathering and selling more than a ton of paper and magazines. Behold the boosters!

Mrs. D. F. Warner, of New Bethlehem, Pa., under date of Jan. 20, 1927, sends $30.77, money raised by the children of the Red Bank congregation, Western Pennsylvania, for the Liao Chou project. Of this sum the Intermediate girls contributed $11.55; Intermediate boys, $2.00; Juniors, $5.75; Primaries, $4.47; teacher of Beginners, $2.00; teacher of Primaries, $5.00.

Means of raising the money were as follows: Doing housework, raising carrots, potatoes, pop corn, hens and selling eggs, making candy, selling dried apples, hickory nuts, milk, cream, caddying, and giving Christmas money. One teacher gave of her salary as schoolteacher.

Mt. Airy, Maryland

Enclosed you will find $40.13, which is from the Willing Workers' class, also the Juniors and Primaries of the Pleasant Hill Sunday-school, Monrovia, Md. This was raised in various ways, and is to help carry the Gospel to Liao Chou. We are praying it may help bring salvation to the folks in China. I am sending a picture of our little band of workers. Ruth E. Main.

All Junior Leaguers who contribute $4.00 or more in one year are entitled to the Missionary Visitor.

FROM A MISSIONARY FATHER TO SON

Seraipur, India
Aug. 6, 1926

Dear James:

Night before last, at nine o'clock, the doctors told me that they were going to do an operation, and if I wanted to see it, I should come over. So I went. When the nurse was getting ready, opening up dressings and sponges, she came to one that you had done up, and had gotten ready for the sterilizer when you helped at the hospital during vacation. She showed it to me, and it was as neat and nice as if a girl had done it. So it was with some of your work and effort that this operation was carried on.

The little boy who was to be operated on was ten years old, and he was so poor. His father had almost no clothing, and the boy had only the smallest possible loin cloth. They came from a station a short distance away, but they did not have the price of a ticket, so the government doctor there, taking pity on them, paid it from his own pocket. Dr. Brown asked the man what his wages were, and he said he got no money, but each day three pounds of rice, and that was all.

The little boy was carrying a bottle of

kerosene, and he fell and broke the bottle, and the broken neck of the bottle cut a hole in his abdomen about the size of a silver rupee. It was four or five days before he was taken to the doctor, and in the meantime, something from his inside began to come out, and when he got here, that was in a very bad condition. The little fellow cried much and must have had a lot of pain. Of course, he had to have chloroform for the operation, and when he was taking that we had to hold him down for he was so afraid. It took Dr. Brown a long time to get this operation done, for he had to be so careful. Not one bit of that which had come outside could be put back in, for it was all black and green. It had to be cut off and the places all sewed up, and the doctor had to be very careful that he did not cut off anything that this little fellow really had to have inside him to live.

After the operation I carried the boy to his room. He was so skinny that he was not as heavy as your little brother. I went to see him next morning, but he was asleep then, but he had told the doctor that he was ready to go home. He said his side hurt as much as ever, so I guess he thought he was no better off than he had been before. But of course he is, but the wound must have time to heal. He certainly would have died without the operation.

When I see so many people in India who are so poor, and who need a doctor so much, I am glad that you think you want to be a missionary doctor. You know you have the right to change your mind about it, for I do not think anyone should engage in any occupation or profession simply to please another person, but I am sure that medicine is a worthy profession.

We need godly doctors, and I am sure you will be that kind. And I want you to be a good doctor if you are going to be one. Anything that is worth doing at all is worth doing well. I shall give you every assistance possible in your preparation to become the best physician and surgeon you can be.

I think it is fine that you can read this letter and understand all of it. I used to have to write you very simply, but now you are able to read anything I can write, and understand it too. That shows you are making progress in your education. Work hard, for now is the time that counts. It comes harder when you get older, even as old as I.



Children Workers for Liao Chou in Pleasant Hill Sunday-school, Monrovia, Maryland
At right, back row, is one of the leaders; at left, Miss Ruth E. Main, leader, who sends the picture.

Mother will be leaving you before long, and then you must be a boarder in the school. Be the best kind of a boy, James, and help your brother to be good, too. I would trust you anywhere, for I know you have a lot of love for your parents, and nothing pleases us so as to know that you are clean and true. I send you my best love and good wishes.

Your Daddy.

Note. This letter was written by one of our missionaries to his son.

BY THE EVENING LAMP

Dear Aunt Adalyn: I live in India, where my father is a missionary. I am thirteen years old, and in the Junior Cambridge, which is equal to the second year of high school in America. I have a sister and brother older than I and a sister younger. I go to school at Woodstock, Mussoorie, up in the Himalaya Mountains. We are 1,000 feet up. My father does evangelistic work, and we all go with him. While we are touring we live in tents. It is great fun. We are touring at present, and our tent is just on the bank of a lake. It is beautiful to see the sun rise over the lake.

Last night, on our return from one of the village huts where my mother had been talking to the Indian women, we passed an Indian temple. There was a dome and a little passage leading from one side. The passage was only about three yards wide, and hanging from the roof was a bell. On one side of this passage was one of their gods called the monkey god. It was a hideous object, roughly carved in the shape of a monkey and smeared with red paint and oil which the people pour on it before worshiping it. Then in the middle of the passage was the image of a bull roughly carved out of stone. This is supposed to be the riding horse of the god that sits under the dome. The god is a piece of stone rounded off at the top, with four white blotches for the eyes, nose and mouth. Over it hangs a tin thing that is supposed to take the place of an umbrella, and beside the god is a big drum. In the background is a small image which is supposed to be its wife.

After looking at that temple we went on, with a crowd of children at our heels. Then we came to another temple. The gods were inside a door

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FINANCIAL REPORT

Conference Offering, 1926. As of January 31, 1927, the Conference (Budget) offering for the year ending February 28, 1927, stands as follows:

Cash received since March 1, 1926, ...$239,464.12

(The 1926 Budget of $382,775.00 is 62.6% raised, whereas it should be 91.6%)

Mission Board Treasury Statement. The following shows the condition of mission finances on January 31, 1927:

Income since March 1, 1926,	$287,905.11
Income same period last year,	279,047.78
Expense since March 1, 1926,	282,512.87
Expense same period last year,	271,335.12
Mission deficit January 31, 1927,	4,723.94
Mission deficit December 31, 1926,	23,476.24
Decrease in deficit for January, 1927,	18,752.30

Correction. Through an unintentional omission the report of part of the November receipts was not published in the February Visitor as promised. The following record down to the record for December shows these receipts for November:

BROOKLYN ITALIAN CHURCH BUILDING FUND

Ohio—$2.00
N. W. Dist., Cong.: No. 93472 (Greenspring), ... $ 2.00

Total for the month, ... $ 2.00
Total previously reported, ... 26.00

Total for the year, ... $ 28.00

CONFERENCE BUDGET

California—$45.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Empire, ... $ 45.00

Indiana—$40.00
No. Dist., Cong.: New Paris 40.00

Iowa—$340.35
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Cedar Rapids, $80.35: Bagley, $10, ... 90.35
No. Dist., Cong.: So. Waterloo, ... 250.00

Ohio—$16.50
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Wyandot, ... 16.50

Oregon—$23.25
Cong.: Mabel, $16; S. S.: Mabel, $7.25, .. 23.25

Pennsylvania—$200.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Greentree, ... 200.00

Washington—$8.30
Cong.: No. Spokane, ... 8.30

Total for the month, ... $ 673.40
Total previously reported, ... 50,224.34

$50,897.74
Correction No. 10, ... 500 00

Total for the year, ... $ 50,397.74

CONFERENCE BUDGET DESIGNATED

California—$2.50
No. Dist., Cong.: S. F. W. Oakland), ...$ 2.50

Illinois—$3.75
No. Dist., Cong.: Elgin, ... 3.75

Indiana—$16.55
No. Dist., S. S.: Blue River, ... 16.55

Oregon—$2.00
S. S.: Mabel, ... 2.00

Pennsylvania—$15.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: "Living Link" Class (Lewistown), ... 15.00

Total for the month, ... $ 39.80
Total previously reported, ... 141.16

Total for the year, ... $ 180.96

MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

California—$140.32
So. Dist., La Verne Cong. for E. D. Vaniman and wife and L. A. Blickenstaff & Wife, $121.57; "Harmony Class" La Verne for Edward Leland Brubaker, $18.75, ... 140.32

Colorado—$259.76
E. Dist., Rocky Ford Cong. for Anna N. Crumpacker, $58.16; S. G. Nickey (Colorado Springs) for Dr. Barbara Nickey, $201.60, .. 259.76

Illinois—$550.00
No. Dist., Mt. Morris Cong. for Ruth Ulery, $300; Mt. Morris College Missionary Society for D. J. Lichty, $250, ... 550.00

Indiana—$847.87
Mid. Dist., Pipe Creek Cong. for Anna Forney, $250; Student Volunteers of Manchester College for Clara Harper Budget, $250, ... 500.00
No. Dist., Sunday School for Minerva Metzger and Mary Schaeffer, ... 223.87
So. Dist., Buck Creek Cong. for Nettie B. Summer, ... 124.00

Maryland—$102.00
E. Dist., Y. P. D.'s of Md., Del. & D. C. for Earl W. Flohr, ... 102.00

Ohio—$157.13
N. E. Dist., Olivet S. S. for A. D. Helser, $32.13; E. Nimishillen S. S. for Goldie E. Swartz, $125, ... 157.13

Pennsylvania—$1,235.50
E. Dist., Conestoga Cong. for Ida Buckingham, ... 275.00
Mid. Dist., Albright Cong. & S. S. for Olivia D. Ikenberry, ... 21.00
S. E. Dist., Coventry Cong. for H. Stover Kulp, ... 200.00
W. Dist., Scalp Level Cong. for Dr. H. L. Burke, $650; Pittsburgh Cong. for L. S. Brubaker, $51; Pittsburgh S. S. for Marie W. Brubaker, $38.50, ... 739.50

Virginia—$340.13
First Dist., Cloverdale Cong. for Rebecca C. Wampler, ... 25.00
Sec. Dist., Pleasant Valley Cong. for Edna R. Flory, $75; Pleasant Valley S. S. for Edna R. Flory, $175; Barren Ridge Cong. for Nora Flory, $40; Lebanon Cong. for Chalmer Shull, $25.13, ... 315.13

Total for the month, ... $ 3,632.71
Total previously reported, ... 29,856.97

$33,498.68
Correction No. 11, ... 20.00

$33,469.68
Correction No. 10, ... 500.00

Total for the year, ... $33,969.68

Tract Distribution: During the month of December the Board sent out 1,573 doctrinal tracts.

Correction No. 13: See July, 1926, Visitor, under World Wide Missions. Credit of $2.00 to Cerro Gordo, So. Ill., has since been refunded for other purposes.

Correction No. 14: See February, 1927 Visitor, under World Wide Missions credit of $50 to Florence S. S. Mich. should instead be a credit to Florence S. S., Shipshewana Cong., No. Ind.

December Receipts: The following contributions for the various funds were received during December;

WORLD-WIDE MISSIONS

Arizona—$94.26

Cong.: Phoenix, $50.31; S. S.: Glendale, $43.95, ... $ 94.26

Arkansas—$3.00

Indv.: Mrs. Mary Babb & Daughter, ... 3.00

California—$1,176.07

No. Dist., Cong.: Laton, $29.26; Oakland, $55.13; Empire, $65.51; W. T. Bray (Empire) $2; Mrs. N. A. Harman (Lindsay) $3; S. S. Modesto, $23.06; Empire, $171.45; Live Oak, $2.95; McFarland, $16.15; "Live Wire Class" (Laton) $10, ... 378.51

So. Dist., Cong.: Santa Ana, $49.68; Calvary (Los Angeles) $100; Covina, $121.71; San Bernardino, $11.52; Pasadena, $460.10; Belvedere, $14.15; D. M. Fike (1st Los Angeles) $1; S. S.: Hermosa Beach, $24.40; Indv.: L. D. Bosserman & Wife, $5; B. F. Enyeart, $5; M. Grace Miller, $5, ... 797.56

China—$30.00

Indv.: Elizabeth Baker, ... 30.00

Colorado—$89.00

E. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Walter Zunkel (Sterling) $4; Indv.: H. P. Lehman, $75, ... 79.00

W. Dist., Cong.: H. M. Long & Wife (Fruita), ... 10.00

Florida—$108.72

Cong.: Sebring, $68.72; Indv.: Eva Heagley Hurst, $25; C. E. Schuldt, $15, ... 108.72

Idaho—$67.44

Cong.: Nezperce, $13.13; Moscow, $8.10; Bowmont, $23.06; Winchester, $17.65; H. G. Shank (M. N.) (Fruitland) $.50; Indv.: Ellis H. West, $5, ... 67.44

Illinois—$1,196.97

No. Dist., Cong.: Cherry Grove, $36; Yellow Creek, $22.15; Dixon, $15.32; Bethel, $74.28; Waddams Grove, $11.20; Rockford, $6; Batavia, $14.81; Pine Creek, $15.79; Freeport, $15.54; Elgin, $162.47; Shannon, $28.60; Milledgeville, $32.01; Franklin Grove, $58.59; Rice Lake, $13.10; Lanark, $142.38; Mrs. Sarah Deutschman (Bethel) $4; W. J. Werkman (1st Chicago) $2; Silas Richard (Franklin Grove) $4; Annetta Yarger (Waddams Grove) $30; Ezra Lutz (Chelsea) $2; Mrs. O. H. Willard (1st Chicago) $14.50; Galen Barkdoll (1st Chicago) $2; J. W. Lear (1st Chicago) $25; S. S.: Hastings St. (1st Chicago) $25.62; Rockford, $3.52; Franklin Grove, $36.16; Sterling, $4.80; Aid Soc.: Hastings St., (1st Chicago) $5; 1st Chicago, $50; Indv.: D. C. McGonigle, $4.40; Mrs. Geo. W. Dailey, $2, ... 863.24

So. Dist., Cong.: Virden, $39.91; La Motte Prairie, $18.50; Oakley, $20.52; Cerro Gordo, $30.87; Liberty, $28.65; Romine, $3.50; Woodland, $50; No. 94071 (Champaign) $10; No. 93696 (Champaign) $5; S. S.: La Motte Prairie $9.50; Centennial (Okaw) $23.31; Woodland, $90.07; Indv.: H. W. Strickler, $2.90; Mrs. J. H. Neal, $1, ... 333.73

Indiana—$2,195.49

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Manchester, $54; Walton, $26.93; Cart Creek, $26.51; So. Whitley, $18.13; Spring Creek, $27.10; Clear Creek, $53.39; Landessville, $3.80; Logansport, $8.19; Mexico, $29.79; W. Eel River, $15; Wabash Country, $32; Lloyd C. Blickenstaff (Mexico) $1; C. W. Warstler (M. N.) (Huntington City) $1.50; Iva Bollinger (So. Whitley) $5; Dessie Bollinger (So. Whitley) $5; A Friend (Huntington) $25; Grace Hiatt (Mexico) $2; Rev. A. G. Crosswhite (Peru) $.50; S. S.: Markle, $34.92; Beaver Creek, $52.15; Plunge Creek Chapel, $19.30; Mexico, $11.60; Courter (Mexico) $1; Manchester, $300; Pleasant Dale, $17.27; Spring Creek, $91.24; Salamonie, $168.88; Indv.: Lanna S. Friend, $2, ... $ 1,030.20

No. Dist., Cong.: Plymouth, $39.51; Pleasant Valley, $23.34; Baugo, $47.38; New Paris, $66.23; W. Goshen, $91.50; Auburn, $7.74; No. Liberty, $53.48; Cedar Creek, $14.27; Sec. So. Bend, $23.80; Union Center, $31.85; Cedar Lake, $10; Wakarusa, $25; Nettie C. Weybright (Syracuse) $2; Lee R. Cory (Bethel) $5; Mrs. Rebecca Paulus (Elkhart City) $5; Mrs. J. H. Christian (Walnut) $3; Wm. L. Gordon (LaPorte) $10; S. S.: Jasper Sherck's Class (Middlebury) $5.75; D. B. Bollinger's Class (Middlebury) $4.80; La Porte, $5.44; Plymouth, $26.55; Elkhart, $50; Rock Run, $107; Beginners Dept. (1st. So. Bend) $20; Oak Grove, $76.93; Yellow Creek, $8.65, ... 764.22

So. Dist., Cong.: Anderson, $143.90; Four Mile, $77; Kokomo, $1.35; Nettle Creek, $50; Mt. Pleasant, $20; Indianapolis, $37.60; Howard, $10.45; Mrs. Bertha Crosby (Mt. Pleasant) $5; Amy Idle, (Buck Creek) $5; No. 94384 (Four Mile) $12; V. B. Browning & Wife (Muncie) $10; L. W. Teeter (Nettle Creek) $1; Esta Lannerd (Nettle Creek) $8; Chas. H. Ellabarger (Nettle Creek) $5; S. S.: Kokomo, $6.12; White, $2.60; Indv.: J. C. Mitchell, $1; Mrs. Laura Lynch, $2.85; Rosetta Arndt, $2.20, ... 401.07

Iowa—$1,053.22

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Prairie City, $16.40; Dallas Center, $64.46; Garrison, $4.76; Muscatine, $4.56; Panther Creek, $118; Cedar, $33.78; Iowa River, $30; Coon River, $11.30; Brooklyn, $12.67; Des Moines, $21.90; S. S.: Muscatine, $3.37; Indv.: An Individual, $10, ... 331.20

No. Dist., Cong.: Franklin County, $42.79; Kingsley, $101.32; So. Waterloo, $188.50; Mrs. A. H. Replogle (So. Waterloo) $5; David and Sarah Brallier (Curlew) $15; Mrs. W. V. Smith (Ivester) $3; Nora Thurston (Waterloo City—So. Waterloo) $10; S. S.: Primary Class (So. Waterloo) $14.50; Sisters' Class (So. Waterloo) $9.82; Greene, $9.14; Sheldon, $3.28, ... 402.35

So. Dist., Cong.: Libertyville, $67.62; English River, $190.04; So. Keokuk, $22.06; Council Bluffs, $4.31; Jemima Kob (Franklin) $5; A Sister (Osceola) $5; S. S.: Salem, $24.08; So. Keokuk, $1.56, ... 319.67

Kansas—$517.00

N. E. Dist., Cong.: Lone Star, $57.56; Richland Center, $22.87; Overbrook, $2.25; Olathe, $24.78; J. C. Peck (Morrill) $1; Mary Hickerson (McLough) $5; S. S.: Olathe, $4.58; Oaklanl (Topeka) $20; Washington, $11.25, 149.29

N. W. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Jennie Neher (Quinter), ... 1.00

S. E. Dist., Cong.: Verdigris, $7.80; Mont Ida, $13.50; Fredonia, $36.50; E. W. Waas (Galesburg) $3; Maggie C. Ruthrauff (Paint Creek) $5; Fannie Stevens (Osage) $3; Carl R. Meir (Chanute) $2; S. S.: Galesburg, $6.26; "Winner" Class (Fredonia) $8.50; Aid Soc.: Osage, $10, ... 95.56

S. W. Dist., Cong.: Peabody, $11; Monitor, $49.35; Eden Valley, $30; Conway Springs, $21.95; 1st Wichita, $35.56; Oliver H. Austin & Wife (McPherson) $25; Lizzie A. Lehman (Newton) $2; Geo. W. Tannreuther (McPherson) $75; D. W. Kurtz (McPherson) $5; S. S.: Larned, $12.29; Bloom, $6, ... 271.15

Louisiana—$73.87

Cong.: Roanoke, $54.87; Rosepine, $19, ... 73.87

Maryland—$1,271.29

E. Dist., Cong.: Washington City, $108; Fulton Ave. Baltimore, $65.41; Union Bridge (Pipe Creek) $75.53; Pipe Creek, $275; Long Green Valley, $11; Thurmont, $2; Meadow Branch, $26.35; Westminster (Meadow Branch) $77.93; Edgewood (Sams Creek) $39.32; Denton, $8.37; Green Hill, $19; An Individual (Washington City) $5; S. S.: Pleasant Hill (Bush Creek) $2.50; Myersville (Upper Middletown Valley) $66.76; "Sunshine Band" Pipe Creek, $5; Aid Soc.: Pipe Creek, $25; Easton M. E. Church, $5.25, ... 817.42

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Brownsville, $51.05; Longmeadow, $46.20; Longmeadow (Beaver Creek) $25; Broadfording, $97.37; Welsh Run $59.39; Lillie M. Lenherr (Welsh Run) $2; D. H. Anthony & Wife (Broadfording) $10; Unknown donor (Hagerstown) $50; John A. Myers (Licking Creek) $10; S. .S: Brownsville, $24.36; Aid Soc.: Pleasant View, $25, .. 400.37

W. Dist., Cong.: Bear Creek, $20; Fairview, $18; Cherry Grove, $5; H. S. Coleman & Wife (Cherry Grove) $5; Indv.: R. A. Haney, $5.50, ... 53.50

Michigan—$230.56
Cong.: Beaverton, $29.95; Battle Creek, $16.17; Vestaburg, $5.50; Durand (Elsie) $13; Sunfield, $1.64; Hart, $.50; Pontiac, $21; Zion, $6.25; Long Lake, $4.50; John Swanstra & Wife (Beaverton) $10; Warren Danner (Lake View) $12.50; Peter B. Messner (Thornapple) $1; R. J. McRoberts (M. N.) (Thornapple) $.50; S. S.: Shepherd, $57.65; Onekama, $40.90; Lake View, $8.50; Indv.: Mrs. Wm. Schuchert in memory of her mother Mrs. Martha Bratt, $1, ... 230.56

Minnesota—$362.08
Cong.: Worthington, $9.10; Minneapolis, $117.09; Lewiston, $30.17; Root River, $84.53; J. R. Suter Family (Bethel) $1.25; Darius Broadwater (Preston) $5; John Kaiser (Minneapolis) $3.50; Mrs. A. Sidel (Worthington) $4; S. S.: Bethel, $9.09; Monticello, $16.04; Root River, $82.31, ... 352.08

Montana—$5.00
E. Dist., Indv.: Mary E. Harden, ... 5.00

Missouri—$539.18
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Warrensburg City & So. Warrensburg, $53.73; Nancy J. Harris (Adrian) $10; S. S.: Warrensburg & So. Warrensburg, $32.15; Happy Hill, $4; Indv.: A Sister, $100, ... 199.88
No. Dist., Cong.: Wakenda, $66.20; Rockingham, $43.30; Pleasant View, $5.93; No. Bethel, $42; Smith Fork, $128.12; S. S.: Bethany (Pleasant View) $6; Aid Soc.: Smith Fork, $10; Rockingham, $5; No. Bethel (Bethel) $11, ... 316.55
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Eva A. Holmes (Carthage) $1; Geo. E. Hallett (M. N.) (Fairview) $.50; S. S.: Cabool, $21.25, ... 22.75

Nebraska $333.16
Cong.: Enders, $20.74; Octavia, $64; So. Beatrice, $86.34; Omaha, $16; So. Loup, $9.20; Beatrice, $1; Afton, $17.86; S. S.: Afton, $5; Enders, $.72; Lincoln, $41.30; Aid Soc.: Octavia, $10; Mary A. Hargleroad (Silver Lake) $2; James A. Ward, Sr. (So. Loup) $5; Catharine R. Mussleman (Kearney) $2; Rebecca Essem (Beatrice) $2; David Neher & Family (Beatrice) $50, ... 333.16

New Mexico—$31.40
Cong.: Clovis, ... 31.40

North Carolina—$6.00
Cong.: Melvin Hill, $4; Indv.: Mrs. Nellie M. Frisbee, $2, ... 6.00

North Dakota—$89.81
Cong.: Brumbaugh, $7.64; Surrey, $10.60; Ray, $7; Ellison, $54; S. S.: Egeland, $10.57, ... 89.81

Ohio—$1,992.11
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Wooster, $100; Maple Grove, $42.97; Black River, $60; Richland, $32.53; Baltic, $25; Canton Center, $42.28; E. Chippewa, $64.75; S. M. Friend (Black River) $2; Bertha Helman (Tuscarawas) $2; John H. Bassinger (Zion Hill) $5; Unknown donor of Columbiana (Zion Hill) $5; Louisa Burkhart (Tuscarawas) $3; S. S.: W. Nimishillen, $121.64; Owl Creek, $3.58; Women's Missionary Soc.: Zion Hill, $10; Indv.: Mary Strom, $1; Harriet Martin, $2, ... 522.75
N. W. Dist., Cong.: No. Poplar Ridge, $125.66; Dupont, $73.33; Silver Creek, $56.25; Logan, $50; Black Swamp, $30; Bellefontaine, $26; Sugar Creek, $11.12; Sand Ridge, $1.52; Fostoria, $26.35; Greenspring, $16.20; Lima, $100; L. F. (Lick Creek) $10; S. R. (Lick Creek) $5; Margaret Wise (Greenspring) $3.50; Mrs. Ray McDorman (Baker) $10; S. S.: Sand Ridge, $2, ... 546.93
So. Dist., Cong.: Greenville, $51.82; Beaver Creek, $43.68; Salem, $5; Pleasant Valley, $2.90; Bradford, $5; Union City, $16; Ft. McKinley, $23; Bear Creek, $62.79; Springfield, $15.55; Painter Creek, $52.60; Oakland, $137.85; Donnels Creek, $70.10; Albert C. Schue (Cleveland) $2; S. S.: Cedar Grove (Prices Creek) $44.75; Brookville, $40; West Milton, $100; Pleasant Hill, $15.47; Beech Grove, $7.42; Lower Miami, $53.52; Happy Corner (Lower Stillwater) $13.68; Middle District, $25.50; Pitsburg, $29.03; Harris Creek, $6.14; Greenville, $6.67; Castine, $61.96; Georgetown, $20; Lexington, $10, ... 922.43

Oklahoma—$113.20
Cong.: Big Creek, $20.85; Washita, $65.85; Thomas, $26.50, ... 113.20

Oregon—$47.95
Cong.: Albany, $14.70; Grants Pass, $10; Myrtle Point, $11.58; Mrs. Malinda Russell (Ashland) $2; S. S.: Albany, $8.67; Indv.: Russell W. Hunt, $1, ... 47.95

Pennsylvania—$4,234.42
E. Dist., Cong.: Richland, $62.96; Lititz, $48.52; Indian Creek, $173; White Oak, $269.63; Fredericksburg, $72.02; Reading, $29.14; Spring Grove, $64.52; Chiques, $111; Ephrata, $207; Hatfield, $88; Midway, $20.50; W. Conestoga, $82.08; Schuylkill, $26.69; Shamokin, $18.36; Little Swatara, $53.26; Beryl Firestone (Spring Creek) $50; David H. Markey (Maiden Creek) $50; Unknown donor (Elizabethtown) $1; Adaline H. Witter, (Myerstown) $3; Sister E. M. Grosh (W. Green Tree) $25; S. S.: Bareville (Conestoga) $19; Mingo, $95.85; E. Petersburg, $10.40; Annville, $21.71; W. Conestoga, $40.27; Ephrata, $25; Harrisburg, $20; Mountville, $14.25; Beginners, Primary, Jr. Boys' and Jr. Girls' Classes (Lancaster) $31; "Gleaners" Class (Akron) $5; E. Fairview, $46.41; Indian Creek, $20.21; 1st year Primary Class (Lancaster) $7.75; Aid Soc.: Fredericksburg, $5; Mingo, $50; Indv.: Cyrus Westheaffer $4, ... 1,871.53
Mid. Dist., Cong.: 28th St. Altoona, $75; Dry Valley, $91; Spring Run, $59.26; Clover Creek, $40; Lewistown, $290.86; W. R. Kagarise & Family (Woodbury) $25; M. R. Brumbaugh (Clover Creek) $2; E. G. Wakefield (Aughwick) $5; Mrs. Rachael Rhodes (28th St. Altoona) $2; Mary A. Kinsey (Dunnings Creek) $10; Wilbur O. Snyder (Huntingdon) $1.50; W. H. Gaunt (Huntingdon) $2.90; Mrs. John T. Dopp (Huntingdon) $2; S. S.: Maitland (Dry Valley) $12.24; Williamsburg, $95.95; Germany Valley (Aughwick)) $16.51; Yellow Creek, $9.82; Curryville (Woodbury) $6.62; Holsinger (Woodbury) $20; Albright, $16; "Soul Winners" Class (Spring Run) $10; Aid Soc.: Lewistown, $20, 813.66
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Miss S. E. Beck (Germantown-Phila.) $5; S. S.: Quakertown (Springfield) $20.36; Germantown (Phila.) $25 50.36
So. Dist., Cong.: Ridge, $31; Sugar Valley, $10.20; Lost Creek, $58.59; New Fairview, $95.77; Huntsdale, $26.24; Codorus, $169.97; Brandts (Back Creek) $10.54; Waynesboro, $301.58; Harry W. Weaver (Marsh Creek) $3; "A Friend" (Hanover) $25.50; Mary Bixler (York) $1; S. S.: Mechanicsburg. $25.60; Melrose (Upper Codorus) $18.80; Chestnut Grove (Upper Codorus) $9.31; Three Springs (Perry) $37.05; Carlisle, $9.31; Pleasant Hill (Codorus) $5.08; New Fairview, $15.76; Hanover, $5.06; Indv.: R. B. Stambaugh, $2; H. K. Latshaw, $2, ... 863.36
W. Dist., Cong.: Ten Mile, $10; Morrellville, $65.50; Middle Creek, $8; Bolivar, $5; Elk Lick, $32.87; Purchase Line, $31.60; Rockton, $8; Montgomery, $14.50; Red Bank, $3.58; Rummel, $40.16; Westmont, $100; Mt. Joy, $66.40; Fairview (Georges Creek) $17.30; Hooversville, $4.60; Annie Widdowson (Montgomery) $5; H. D. Widdowson (Montgomery) $5; Stanley Bowser (Glade Run) $1; Mrs. Carman Bowser (Glade Run) $2; Paul Claypool (Glade Run) $3; Raymond L. Morris (Nanty Glo) $3.50; David C. Ribblett (Locust Grove) $1; Mrs. Anna Saylor (Middle Creek) $5; A Sister (Rockton) $1; M. R. Hollopeter (Rockton) $10; A Brother (Montgomery) $7.50; Arthur Wolford & Wife (Ligonier) $4; W. D. Rummel (M. N.) (Quemahoning) $.50; S. S.: Plum Creek, $57.48; Glade Run, $39.47; Ethel Morrison's and Mrs. Carman Bowser's Classes (Glade Run) $8; Locust Grove, $20; Junior Class No. 3 (Rummel) $7.89; Junior Class No. 1, (Rummel) $10.19; Primary Class No. 3 (Rummel) $9.32; Primary Class No. 2 (Rummel) $4.50; Primary Class No. 1 (Rummel) $9.38; Beginners

Class No. 2 (Rummel) $4.50; Beginners Class No. 1 (Rummel) $5.55; Indv.: O. A. Holsinger, $1; Mrs. J. C. Mountan, $.22; No. 85368, $2, ... 635.51

South Dakota—$24.14
Cong.: Willow Creek, $14.14; S. S.: Willow Creek, $10, ... 24.14

Texas—$47.67
Cong.: Manvel, $41.67; C. D. Fager (Falfurrias) $6, ... 47.67

Tennessee—$77.00
Cong.: Limestone, $11; Knob Creek, $6; Pleasant Hill, $5.75; Beaver Creek, $29; Mountain Valley, $10.10; Mrs. R. C. Mooney (White Horn) $5; A. M. Isenberg (Meadow Branch) $10.15, ... 77.00

Virginia—$865.68
E. Dist., Cong.: Canon Branch, $17.78; Oronoco, $3.50; Mt. Carmel, $16.94; S. S.: Drainesville (Fairfax) $8.70, ... 46.92
First Dist., Cong.: Cloverdale, $90.69; Copper Hill, $15; Daleville, $118.34; Mrs. Ella Bowman (Smiths Chapel) $1; G. P. Hylton (Smiths Chapel) $10; S. S.: Copper Hill, $5; Aid Soc.: Cloverdale, $40, ... 280.03
No. Dist., Cong.: Unity, $30; Greenmount, $20.75; Mill Creek, $85.02; Flat Rock, $7.25; Linville Creek, $35.80; Woodstock, $21; Cooks Creek, $43.04; Pleasant View, $18.85; Frank Stultz & Wife (Crab Run-Upper Lost River) $10; P. S. Thomas (Harrisonburg) $1; S. S.: Mill Creek, $64.64, ... 337.35
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Barren Ridge, $17.02; Middle River, $50.08; Summit. $37.50; Sangerville, $24.06; Bettie F. Lamb (Barren Ridge) $5; Ressie Kanost (Moscow) $5; Aid Soc.: No. 2-Sangerville, $4.86, ... 143.52
So. Dist., Cong.: Pleasant Hill, $10; Schoolfield, $3.75; Maple Grove, $12; Antioch, $25.11; Bassett, $3.16; S. S.: Bassett, $3.84, .. 57.86

Washington—$165.66
Cong.: Tacoma, $13.50; Yakima, $100; Whitestone, $14.35; Olympia, $14.06; S. S.: Outlook, $18.75; Indv.: J. L. Teeter & Family, $5, ... 165.66

West Virginia—$539.21
First Dist., Eglon, $55; Beaver Run, $22.08; Harman, $57.73; Sandy Creek, $350; J. D. Beery (Tearcoat) $25; Mrs. Minnie B. Miller (Eglon) $1; S. S.: Bright Hollow (Capon Chapel) $5; Road Ridge (Capon Chapel) $6; White Pine, $7.50, ... 529.31
Sec. Dist., Indv.: J. F. Ross, ... 9.90

Wisconsin—$58.39
Cong.: White Rapids, $23.60; Chippewa Valley, $22; Mrs. Ada L. Browne (Stanley) $3; S. S.: White Rapids, $1.26; Rock Falls Union, $8.53, ... 58.39

Total for the month, ...$17,638.95
Total previously reported, ... 49,051.98

$66,690.93
Correction No. 13, ... 2.00

Total for the year, ...$66,688.93

EMERGENCY FOR MISSIONS

Iowa—$10.34
So. Dist., S. S.: Franklin, ...$ 10.34

Kansas—$2.00
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Richland Center, ... 2.00

Louisiana—$13.60
S. S.: Roanoke, ... 13.60

Maryland—$135.61
E. Dist., S. S.: Westminster (Meadow Branch), ... 135.61

North Dakota—$23.52
S. S.: Minot, ... 23.52

Ohio—$41.31
N. W. Dist., S. S.: No. Poplar Ridge, ... 9.82
So. Dist., S. S.: Lower Miami, ... 31.49

Pennsylvania—$2.77
Mid. Dist., S. S.: James Creek, ... 2.77

South Dakota—$7.25
S. S.: Willow Creek, ... 7.25

Virginia—$10.45
Sec. Dist., S. S.: Bridgewater, ... 10.45

Total for the month, ...$ 246.85
Total previously reported, ... 1,202.28

Total for the year, ...$ 1,449.13

STUDENT FELLOWSHIP 1926-1927

Illinois—$2.00
No. Dist., Cong.: R. Robertson (1st Chicago), ...$ 2.00

Indiana—$2.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Freda Michael (Grace-Indianapolis), ... 2.00

Kansas—$3.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Orpha Loshbaugh (Hollow), ... 3.00

Pennsylvania—$7.00
E. Dist., Cong.: Katherine E. Zug (Chiques), ... 5.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Wilbur O. Snyder (Huntingdon), ... 2.00

Total for the month, ...$ 14.00
Total previously reported, ... 42.00

Total for the year, ...$ 56.00

AID SOCIETY FOREIGN MISSION FUND

Illinois—$27.50
No. Dist., Aid Societies, ...$ 27.50

Kansas—$21.00
S. E. Dist., Aid Soc.: Fort Scott, ... 6.00
S. W. Dist., Aid Soc.: Hutchinson, ... 15.00

Maryland—$120.00
E. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 120.00

Michigan—$60.00
Aid Societies, ... 60.00

Missouri—$10.00
S. W. Dist., Aid Soc.: Mountain Grove (Cabool), ... 10.00

Virginia—$45.00
No. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 45.00

Total for the month, ...$ 283.50
Total previously reported, ... 3,347.02

Total for the year, ...$ 3,630.52

HOME MISSIONS

Illinois—$35.75
No. Dist., Cong.: Shannon, ...$ 3.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Woodland, $2.75; S. S.: Astoria, $30, ... 32.75

Indiana—$23.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Elkhart, $10; Elsie Finley (Blue River) $1, ... 11.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Amy Idle (Buck Creek) $5; Chas. H. Ellabarger (Nettle Creek) $5; Mattie Mathews (Middletown) $2, ... 12.00

Missouri—$85.50
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Broadwater, ... 85.50

Ohio—$1.00
N. E. Dist., Indv.: Maria B. Miller, ... 1.00

Pennsylvania—$65.43
W. Dist., Cong.: Penn Run, $29.30; Shade Creek, $36.13, ... 65.43

Virginia—$5.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Pleasant Hill, ... 5.00

Total for the month, ...$ 215.68
Total previously reported, ... 859.41

Total for the year, ...$ 1,075.09

GREENE COUNTY, VIRGINIA, MISSION

Idaho—$2.00
S. S.: Junior Class, Winchester, ...$ 2.00

Iowa—$50.00
Mid. Dist., Aid Soc.: Dallas Center, ... 50.00

Total for the month, ...$ 52.00
Total previously reported, ... 369.38

Total for the year, ...$ 421.38

FOREIGN MISSIONS

California—$1.50
So. Dist., Indv.: Catherine Talbot, ...$ 1.50

Idaho—$10.00
Cong.: Fruitland, ... 10.00

Illinois—$2.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Oak Grove, ... 2.00

Maryland—$104.69
Mid. Dist., Aid Soc.: Brownsville, ... 100.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Cherry Grove, ... 4.69

Minnesota—$5.00
Indv.: Orin Chapman, ... 5.00

Ohio—$3.75
So. Dist., S. S.: Middletown, ... 3.75

Pennsylvania—$141.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Ardenheim, $100; S. S.: Riddlesburg, $6, ... 106.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Huntsdale, $10; No. 94463 (York) $25, ... 35.00

Total for the month, ...$ 267.94
Total previously reported, ... 4,019.01

Total for the year, ...$ 4,286.95

JUNIOR LEAGUE—1926

California—$124.36
No. Dist., S. S.: "Live Wire Class" Laton, $65.34; Reedley, $3, ...$ 68.34
So. Dist., S. S.: Junior Dept. Calvary (Los Angeles) $50; Jr. Dept. Hermosa Beach, $6.02, 56.02

Colorado—$15.37
E. Dist., S. S.: Children of Denver, ... 15.37

Illinois—$395.13
No. Dist., Cong.: Lanark, $95.89; Roy Frantz Moyer (1st Chicago) $2; S. S.: Douglas Park (1st Chicago) $24.51; C. W. S.: Junior & Intermediate, Franklin Grove, $73, ... 195.40
So. Dist., Cong.: La Motte Prairie, $6.71; S. S.: Primary Dept. La Place (Okaw) $27.69; Intermediate Class, La Place (Okaw) $16.67; 15 S. S. Scholars: La Motte Prairie, $42; Children of Centennial (Okaw) $39.51; Children's Division (Astoria) $30; Junior League: Cerro Gordo, $37.15, ... 199.73

Indiana—$662.68
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Pleasant Dale, $122.84; S. S.: Salamonie, $33.26; Spring Creek, $1; Children of Bachelor Run, $44.70; Cart Creek, $13.45; Monticello, $72.97; Bethel Center (Hartford City) $15.13; Junior League: Beaver Creek, $25.55, ... 328.90
No. Dist., S. S.: No. Liberty, $19.43; S. S.: Children of Turkey Creek, $34; Children of Pleasant Chapel, $30.40; Bethel, $24.32; Children of Wakarusa, $12.70; Primary Dept. Blue River, $125.45; Junior & Intermediate Classes Maple Grove, $71, ... 317.30
So. Dist., S. S.: Junior Boys Class Kokomo, $3.12; Primary Dept. Kokomo, $13.36, 16.48

Iowa—$191.18
No. Dist., S. S.: Children of Curlew, $27.88; Children of Greene, $15, ... 42.88
So. Dist., S. S.: Junior & Intermediate Classes, English River, $35; Primary Dept., English River, $36.35; Cradle Roll, English River, $2.40; Children of Salem, $74.55, ... 148.30

Kansas—$68.40
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Beginner, Primary, Junior, Intermediate & Young People Classes, Olathe, ... 17.95
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Ora L. and Elinore Harris (Osage) $3; S. S.: Primary Children Hollow, $7, ... 10.00
S. W. Dist., S. S.: Children of Larned, .. 40.45

Maryland—$200.99
E. Dist., S. S.: Junior Girls Class, Westminster (Meadow Branch) $12; Primary Classes, Westminster (Meadow Branch) $5.50; Denton, $87.70, ... 105.20
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Mabel E. Egan (Hagerstown) $2; S. S.: Children of Brownsville, $56.23; 2 Junior Classes, Pleasant View, $14, 72.23
W. Dist., S. S.: Liao Chou Workers, Cherry Grove, ... 23.56

Michigan—$65.82
S. S.: Juniors of Homestead, $10.82; Children of Sugar Ridge, $20; Shepherd, $35, .. 65.82

Minnesota—$14.49
S. S.: Elementary Dept. Monticello, ... 14.49

Missouri—$104.04
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Primary Class, Adrian, $28.13; Children of So. Warrensburg, $20 36, 48.49
No. Dist., S. S.: Children of No. Bethel, 22.00
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Broadwater, ... 33.55

Nebraska—$21.44
Cong.: Dorothy Albrecht (Afton) $5; Burton & David Corder (Afton) $1.65; S. S.: Boys and Girls Classes (Lincoln) $7.79; Beatrice, $7, ... 21.44

North Dakota—34.00
S. S.: Junior Class, Brumbaugh, ... 34.00

Ohio—$421.54
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Primary Class, Baltic, $6; Children of Canton Center, $61; Primary Class Freeburg, $54.50; 1st Junior Class Freeburg, $33; 2nd Junior Class Freeburg, $48.50; Freeburg, $10; Children of Ashland Dickey, $18.85, ... 231.85
N. W. Dist., S. S.: Classes 3 and 4 Portage, $8.50; Children of Ross, $38.38; Primary & Junior Dept. Greenspring, $11.30; Beginners, Primaries & Juniors, No. Poplar Ridge, $30.81; Logan, $20, ... 108.99
So. Dist., S. S.: Junior Class, Gratis (Upper Twin) $11.56; Children of Beech Grove, $54.83; Junior League: Union City, $10.81; Verna Mae Miller (Pitsburg) $2.50; Ruth Lutz (Pitsburg) $1, ... 80.70

Oregon—$5.48
Cong.: Virginia & Esther Smith (Myrtle Point), ... 5.48

Pennsylvania—$477.47
E. Dist., Cong.: Springville, $37.60; S. S.: Comrade Workers Class, Lancaster, $78; Harmonyville, $24.25; Shamokin, $10, ... 149.85
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Spring Run, $138.57; "Buds of Promise" Curryville (Woodbury) $10.05, ... 148.62
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Green Tree, $26; Junior League; Norristown, $5, ... 31.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Melrose (Upper Codorus) $42; Juniors & Young People of Chestnut Grove (Codorus) $45, ... 87.00
W. Dist., S. S.: Children of Rummel, $17.50; Children of Middle Creek, $43.50, ... 61.00

Tennessee—$15.29
S. S.: Children of Meadow Branch, ... 15.29

Virginia—$203.39
First Dist., S. S.: Junior Class, Bethesda (Cloverdale), ... 11.57
No. Dist., S. S.: Junior Dept., Pleasant View, ... 40.10
Sec. Dist., S. S.: Intermediates, Summit, $25.64; Juniors, Summit, $37.30; Primaries, Summit, $22.55; Barren Ridge, $3.38; "Bright Jewel" Class, Barren Ridge, $19.50; "Daughters of Ruth," Barren Ridge, $15; "Cheerful Workers" Class, Barren Ridge, $1.75; "Busy Bee" Class, Barren Ridge, $3.50; "Beginners" Class, Barren Ridge, $2.10; Teacher Training Class, Barren Ridge, $16; Mrs. C. W. Zimmerman's Class, Moscow, $5,..... 151.72

Washington—$149.68
S. S.: Wenatchee Valley, $61.61; Children of Outlook, $88.07, ... 149.68

Wisconsin—$51.65
S. S.: White Rapids, ... 51.65

Total for the month, ...$ 3,222.40
Total previously reported, ... 968.53

Total for the year, ...$ 4,190.93

INDIA MISSION

Illinois—$10.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Shannon, $5; Clara E. Myers (Chelsea) $5, ...$ 10.00

Iowa—$20.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: No. 93610 (Dallas Center), ... 20.00

Indiana—$8.50
No. Dist., Cong.: Cleveland Union Church, 8.50
Maryland—$10.00
E. Dist., Cong.: E. F. Clark & Family (Washington City), 10.00
Montana—$9.50
E. Dist., S. S.: Florendale, 9.50
Oregon—$3.85
S. S.: Primary Class, Newberg, 3.85
Pennsylvania—$10.50
E. Dist., Cong.: Harrisburg, 10.50
Virginia—$5.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Pleasant Hill, 5.00
Washington—$15.00
Cong.: S. Bock (No. Spokane), 15.00

Total for the month, $ 92.35
Total previously reported, 4,110.90

Total for the year, $ 4,203.25

INDIA NATIVE WORKER

Florida—$10.00
Indv.: Eld. J. E. Young, $ 10.00
Ohio—$25.00
N. W. Dist., Aid Soc.: Pleasant View, 25.00
Pennsylvania—$70.00
W. Dist., S. S.: Glade Run, 70.00

Total for the month, $ 105.00
Total previously reported, 615.42

Total for the year, $ 720.42

INDIA BOARDING SCHOOL

Illinois—$7.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Woodland, $ 7.00
Indiana—$35.00
No. Dist., S. S.: "Good Samaritan" Class (Plymouth), 35.00
Iowa—$5.00
So. Dist., Cong.: So. Keokuk, 5.00
Kansas—$35.00
S. W. Dist., S. S.: "Comrades" Class (Larned Rural) $10; Bloom, $25, 35.00
Michigan—$.05
Cong.: Beaverton, .05
Ohio—$50.00
So. Dist., S. S.: "Buds of Hops" Girls' Missionary Club (Cincinnati), 50.00
Pennsylvania—$88.25
E. Dist., S. S.: "Character Builders" Class (Midway) $12; C. W. S.: Indian Creek, $50; Aid Soc.: W. Green Tree, $26.25, 88.25
Virginia—$40.00
Sec. Dist., Aid Soc.: Pleasant Valley, 35.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Pleasant Hill, 5.00
West Virginia—$7.50
First Dist., S. S.: White Pine, 7.50

Total for the month, $ 267.80
Total previously reported, 1,240.38

Total for the year, $ 1,508.18

INDIA SHARE PLAN

California—100.00
No. Dist., S. S.: Empire, $ 50.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Hemet, 50.00
Illinois—$6.25
So. Dist., S. S.: "The Signal Light" Class, Astoria, 6.25
Indiana—$120.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Junior Girls' Class (Pipe Creek), 20.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Solomons Creek, $50; S. S.: "Anchor Class" No. Winona Lake, $50, 100.00
Maryland—$175.00
E. Dist., S. S.: Pipe Creek, $50; Philathea Class, Washington City, $25; "The Willing Workers" Class, Woodberry (Balt.) $50; Men's Adult Bible Class, Pipe Creek, $25; Berean Bible Class, Blue Ridge College, Pipe Creek, $25, 175.00
North Dakota—$12.50
S. S.: "Beacon Lights" Class, Minot, 12.50
Ohio—$37.50
N. E. Dist., S. S.: "Gleaners" Class, Springfield, 12.50
So. Dist., S. S.: "The Lily Band" Pleasant Hill, 25.00
Pennsylvania—$199.00
W. Dist., S. S.: Young People's Bible Class, Beachdale (Berlin) $25; Junior Boys & Girls Classes, Maple Spring (Quemahoning) $24; "Sunshine Class" Maple Spring (Quemahoning) $50; Men's Loyal Bible Class, Rummel, $100, 199.00
Virginia—$30.00
No. Dist., S. S.: "Willing Workers" Class, Mill Creek, 25.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Pleasant Hill, 5.00
Texas—$25.00
S. S.: Manvel, 25.00
Virginia—$12.50
Sec. Dist., Aid Soc.: Oak Grove (Lebanon), 12.50

Total for the month, $ 717.75
Total previously reported, 2,595.08

Total for the year, $ 3,312.83

DAHANU HOSPITAL BUILDING

Pennsylvania—$4.75
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Junior & Primary Classes (Clover Creek), $ 3.00
W. Dist., S. S.: Glade Run, 1.75

Total for the month, $ 4.75
Total previously reported, 1,223.99

Total for the year, $ 1,228.74

QUINTER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Pennsylvania—$30.00
E. Dist., S. S.: "Gleaner's Class," Ephrata, $ 30.00

Total for the month, $ 30.00
Total previously reported, 62.00

Total for the year, $ 92.00

McCANN MEMORIAL CHURCH—INDIA

Iowa—$88.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Sheldon, $ 88.00

Total for the month, $ 88.00
Total previously reported, 90.23

Total for the year, $ 178.23

CHINA MISSION

California—$11.08
No. Dist., Cong.: Oakland, $ 9.83
So. Dist., Indv.: Mrs. Catherine Talbot, 1.25
Idaho—$1.50
Indv.: Ellia H. West, 1.50
Illinois—$10.63
No. Dist., Cong.: No. 94585 (Franklin Grove), 10.63
Indiana—$4.17
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Fred Hummel (Sugar Creek), 1.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Middletown, 3.17
Kansas—$5.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Galesburg, 5.00
Iowa—$470.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: No. 93510 (Dallas Center), 20.00
No. Dist., Sunday Schools, 450.00
Maryland—$79.87
E. Dist., Cong.: Washington City, $69.87; E. F. Clark & Family (Washington City) $10, 79.87
Ohio—$77.44
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Baltic, 8.44
N. W. Dist., S. S.: Two Primary Classes, Eagle Creek, 69.00
Pennsylvania—$71.71
E. Dist., Cong.: Lancaster, $41.71; Brethren Home (W. Conestoga) $11; C. W. S.: In-

dian Creek, $10, ... 62.71
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Harmonyville, ... 9.00

Virginia—$33.00
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Beaver Creek, ... 28.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Pleasant Hill, ... 5.00

Total for the month, ...$ 764.40
Total previously reported, ... 3,521.39

Total for the year, ...$ 4,285.79

CHINA NATIVE WORKER

Missouri—$23.39
No. Dist., S. S.: Wakenda, ...$ 23.39

Washington—$48.56
S. S.: Seattle, ... 48.56

Total for the month, ...$ 71.95
Total previously reported, ... 399.18

Total for the year, ...$ 471.13

CHINA GIRLS' SCHOOL

North Dakota—$25.00
S. S.: Kenmare, ...$ 25.00

Total for the month, ...$ 25.00
Total previously reported, ... 71.25

Total for the year, ...$ 96.25

CHINA SHARE PLAN

California—$12.50
So. Dist., S. S.: "Friendship Bible Class" (Pasadena), ...$ 12.50

Florida—$25.00
C. W. S.: Sebring, ... 25.00

Illinois—$81.25
So. Dist., S. S.: "The Signal Light" Class (Astoria) $6.25; Woodland, $75, ... 81.25

Indiana—$38.76
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Junior Boys' Class (Pipe Creek), ... 38.76

Kansas—$25.00
S. W. Dist., Indv.: W. H. Beaver, ... 25.00

Maryland—$100.00
E. Dist., S. S.: "The Willing Workers" Class (Woodberry-Balt.) $50; Aid Soc.: Westminster (Meadow Branch) $50, ... 100.00

Pennsylvania—$75.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Fairview, ... 75.00

Virginia—$5.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Pleasant Hill, ... 5.00

Total for the month, ...$ 362.51
Total previously reported, ... 1,307.15

Total for the year, ...$ 1,669.66

CHINA HOSPITALS

Pennsylvania—$25.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Hooversville, ...$ 25.00

Total for the month, ...$ 25.00
Total previously reported, ... 60.05

Total for the year, ...$ 85.05

LIAO CHOU HOSPITAL

Maryland—$10.00
E. Dist., Cong.: Frederick City, ...$ 10.00

Total for the month, ...$ 10.00
Total previously reported, ... 144.50

Total for the year, ...$ 154.50

AFRICA MISSION

Illinois—$50.75
No. Dist., Cong.: Milledgeville, $3.45; Lanark, $15; Shannon, $4; Aid Soc.: Hickory Grove, $28.30, ...$ 50.75

Indiana—$113.44
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Rev. A. G. Crosswhite (Peru) $10; Mrs. Fred Hummel (Sugar Creek) $1, ... 11.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Buchanan, $7.09; Yellow Creek, $78; A Sister (Cedar Lake) $5; S. S.: Primary Classes (Pleasant Valley) $4.60; Mrs. H. A. Clabaugh's Classes (Middlebury) $7.75, ... 102.44

Iowa—$52.09
Mid. Dist., Cong.: No. 93610 (Dallas Center), ... 20.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Rebecca Heagley (Sheldon) $10; S. S.: Home Dept. (Greene) $2, ... 12.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Ottumwa, $8.15; S. S.: Ottumwa, $11.94, ... 20.09

Kansas—$18.75
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Elizabeth Kenner (Walnut Valley) 3.25
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Salem Community Church, ... 15.50

Maryland—$62.41
E. Dist., Cong.: E. F. Clark & Family (Washington City) $10; S. S.: Bethany, $2.41, ... 12.41
Mid. Dist., Indv.: Viola Snively Groh, ... 50.00

North Dakota—$5.50
S. S.: Primary Class, Minot, ... 5.50

Ohio—$37.00
N. E. Dist., Cong.: S. & S. Harshman (Wooster), ... 15.00
N. W. Dist., Cong.: E. H. Rosenberger & Wife (Desher), ... 5.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Sara Bigler (Oakland) $2; Aid Soc.: New Carlisle, $15, ... 17.00

Oregon—$15.00
S. S.: Grants Pass, ... 15.00

Pennsylvania—$70.62
E. Dist., Cong.: Maiden Creek, $60.62; C. W. S.: Indian Creek, $10, ... 70.62

Tennessee—$1.00
Cong.: J. M. Gaby (Mountain Valley),.... 1.00

Virginia—$32.35
No. Dist., S. S.: "Sunshine" Class, Mill Creek, ... 17.35
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Elsie V. Crickenberger (Staunton), ... 15.00

Washington—$15.00
Cong.: S. Bock (No. Spokane), ... 15.00

Total for the month, ...$ 473.91
Total previously reported, ... 7,145.12

Total for the year, ...$ 7,619.03

AFRICA SHARE PLAN

Maryland—$35.00
E. Dist., S. S.: "The Willing Workers" Class (Woodberry-Balt.) $10; "The Early Bible Class" (Woodberry-Balt.) $25,.....$ 35.00

Total for the month, ...$ 35.00
Total previously reported, ... 283.75

Total for the year, ...$ 318.75

MINISTERIAL AND MISSIONARY RELIEF

Virginia—$26.50
No. Dist., S. S.: Junior Boys' and Girls' Class (Luray), ...$ 26.50

Total for the month, ...$ 26.50
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ...$ 26.50

NEAR EAST RELIEF

California—$55.85
So. Dist., Cong.: Pasadena, $49.85; Indv.: S. W. Funk, $6, ...$ 55.85

Idaho—$7.25
Cong.: Nezperce, ... 7.25

Illinois—$91.56
No. Dist., Cong.: Shannon, $23.60; Milledgeville, $2.50; Lanark, $1; Waddams Grove, $14; Students & Faculty of Mt. Morris College, $17, ... 58.10
So. Dist., Cong.: Liberty, $2.20; Kashaskia, $3.50; S. S.: Astoria, $27.76, ... 33.46

Indiana—$118.75
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Manchester, $30.17; S. S.: Markle, $7.93, ... 38.10
No. Dist., Cong.: Cedar Lake, $8; Plymouth, $41.15; A Sister (Cedar Lake) $5, .. 54.15
So. Dist., Cong.: Fairview, $15: Lina N.

Stoner (Ladoga) $1.50; Aid Soc.: Four Mile, $10, ... 26.50

Iowa—$4.50
So. Dist., S. S.: Council Bluffs, ... 4.50

Kansas—$22.50
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Sabetha, ... 22.50

Maryland—$68.89
E. Dist., Cong.: Fulton Ave. Balt., $5; Monocacy, $7.89; Virginia Fifer (Bethany) $5.50; Mrs. Chas. Fifer (Bethany) $10, ... 28.39
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Broadfording, ... 25.50
W. Dist., S. S.: Maple Grove, ... 15.00

Michigan—$10.88
Cong.: Grand Rapids, $8.88; Indv.: Mrs. Amanda Sielske, $2, ... 10.88

Minnesota—$16.12
Cong.: Bethel, $3.62; S. S.: Union (Nemadji) $12.50, ... 16.12

Missouri—$17.65
Mid. Dist., Cong.: M. S. Mohler (Mineral Creek) $5; S. S.: Kansas City, $4.60; Aid Soc.: Mineral Creek, $8.05, ... 17.65

Nebraska—$6.00
S. S.: Alvo, ... 6.00

North Dakota—$14.58
Cong.: Ellison, $11.07; S. S.: Cando, $3.51, 14.58

Ohio—$11.40
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Goshen, $5.40; Mrs. N. A. Schrock (Baltic) $5; Clara Woods (Black River) $1, ... 11.40

Oregon—$21.00
Cong. & S. S.: Mabel, ... 21.00

Pennsylvania—$1,265.58
E. Dist., Cong.: Peach Blossom, $46.29; Palmyra, $200.42; Annville, $105; Spring Creek, $57.74; Elizabethtown, $72.26; Conestoga, $98.36; Mountville, $104.41; Indian Creek, $158; Springville, $54; Richland, $21.96; Sister E. M. Grosh, (West Green Tree) $25; S. S.: Eliza Bashore's Class (Spring Creek) $5; Velma Harpine's Class (Spring Creek) $.21; Esther Seibert's Class (Spring Creek) $.28; Lansdale (Hatfield) $30; Young Women's Bible Class (Richland) $9; Chiques, $18.50; Mohrsville (Maiden Creek) $100; Salunga (E. Petersburg) $5; Aid Soc.: Elizabethtown) $40, ... 1,151.43
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Young Men's Class (Woodbury) $2.96; Women's Class (Woodbury) $2.40, ... 5.36
So. Dist., Indv.: Mrs. Lillie M. Lenherr, .90
W. Dist., Cong.: Walnut Grove, $74.90; Hooversville, $5.15; Arthur Wolford (Ligonier) $2; S. S.: Maple Grove (Johnstown) $18.38; A Community offering from Penn Run, $7.56, ... 107.99

Virginia—$50.60
E. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. E. S. Hooker (Nokesville) 10.00
First Dist., S. S.: Teacher Training Class (Roanoke, N. W.), ... 33.15
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Elk Run, ... 7.45

Total for the month, ...$ 1 783.21
Total previously reported, ... 852.57

Total for the year, ...$ 2,635.78

ARMENIAN RELIEF

Idaho—$11.84
Cong.: Clearwater, ...$ 11.84

Maryland—$30.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Longmeadow (Beaver Creek), ... 30.00

Ohio—$3.00
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Louisa Burkhart (Tuscarawas), ... 3.00

Virginia—$23.75
No. Dist., Cong.: Salem, ... 20.00
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Chimney Run, ... 3.75

Total for the month, ...$ 68.59
Total previously reported, ... 72.52

Total for the year, ...$ 141.11

BROOKLYN ITALIAN CHURCH BUILDING FUND

Pennsylvania—$3.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Raymond L. Morris (Juniata Park), ...$ 1.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. M. B. Dittmar (Carlisle), ... 2.00

Total for the month, ...$ 3.00
Total previously reported, ... 28.00

Total for the year, ...$ 31.00

CONFERENCE BUDGET

California—$26.91
No. Dist., Cong.: Modesto, $13.36; S. S.: Paterson, $13.55, ...$ 26.91

Illinois—$193.62
No. Dist., Cong.: Elgin, ... 193.62

Indiana—$816.98
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Pleasant Dale, $112.77; Bachelors Run, $41.12; S. S.: "Beacon Light" Class (Bechelors Run) $50; Bachelors Run, $4.78, ... 208.67
No. Dist., Cong.: New Paris, $37.32; Auburn, $4.55; Ft. Wayne, $54; Turkey Creek, $12.44; Goshen City, $500, ... 608.31

Iowa—$264.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Des Moines Valley, .. 54.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Sheldon, ... 210.00

Maryland—$105.00
E. Dist., Cong.: New Windsor (Pipe Creek), ... 80.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Katharine M. Hartrauft (Broadfording), ... 25.00

Missouri—$15.78
No. Dist., Cong.: Shelby Co., ... 15.78

Ohio—$424.65
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Ross, $5.34; E. Chippewa, $3, ... 8.34
So. Dist., Cong.: New Carlisle, $404.31; Beaver Creek, $12, ... 416.31

Pennsylvania—$395.34
E. Dist., Cong.: Lititz, $216.02; Myerstown, $15.32, ... 231.34
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Green Tree, ... 75.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Waynesboro, $14; Waynesboro, $75, ... 89.00

Virginia—$384.15
No. Dist., Cong.: Greenmount, $50.65; Unity, $23.50; Rileyville (Mt. Zion) $47.56; S. S.: Rileyville (Mt. Zion) $7.44, ... 129.15
So. Dist., Cong.: Pleasant Hill, ... 10.00
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Bridgewater, ... 245.00

Washington—$10.00
Cong.: Tacoma, ... 10.00

Total for the month, ...$ 2,636.43
Total previously reported, ... 50,397.74

Total for the year, ...$ 53,034.17

CONFERENCE BUDGET DESIGNATED

Illinois—$4.50
No. Dist., Cong.: Lanark, ...$ 4.50

Pennsylvania—$25.00
E. Dist., S. S.: Springville, ... 25.00

Total for the month, ...$ 29.50
Total previously reported, ... 180.96

Total for the year, ...$ 210.46

MARCH WORLD SERVICE—1927-28

Indiana—$100.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: John Stauffer (Manchester), ...$ 100.00

Pennsylvania—$120.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: C. P. Buckwalter (Parkerford), ... 20.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Jacob E. Trimmer (Carlisle), ... 100.00

Total for the month, ...$ 220.00
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ...$ 220.00

MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

California—$900.59
No. Dist., Lindsay Cong. for Dr. Ida Metzger, ... $ 280.00
So. Dist., La Verne Cong. for E. D. Vaniman & Wife and L. A. Blickenstaff & Wife, $370.59; I Brenaman & Wife (La Verne) for John I. Kaylor, $250, ... 620.59

Colorado—$53.75
E. Dist., Denver Cong. for Anna N. Crumpacker, $40; Antioch Cong. for Anna N. Crumpacker, $13.75, ... 53.75

Illinois—$464.94
No. Dist., Franklin Grove Cong. for Bertha Butterbaugh, $287.50; Elgin Cong. for Mrs. D. L. Horning, $25, ... 312.50
So. Dist., Brick (Oakley) Cong. for Ida Buckingham, $27.44; Girard S. S. for Dr. Laura Cottrell, $125, ... 152.44

Iowa—$475.00
Mid. Dist., Panther Creek S. S. for Olivia D. Ikenberry, ... 125.00
No. Dist., Waterloo City Cong. (So. Waterloo) $250; Waterloo City S. S. (So. Waterloo) $100 for Mary Shull, ... 350.00

Kansas—$73.55
S. E. Dist., Parsons S. S. $8; Osage Cong. $25; Osage S. S. $10; Francis McElwain (Osage) $5; E. E. McElwain & Wife (Osage) $15; Parsons Cong. $9.55, for Emma H. Eby; A Sister (Independence) $1 for F. H. Crumpacker, ... 73.55

Michigan—$218.98
Phoebe M. Oaks (Woodland) for Ethel A. Roop Budget, $75; Primary Classes for Harold Bowman, $57.98; S. S.'s for Pearl Bowman, $86, ... 218.98

Maryland—$500.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.'s for B. F. Summer and H. P. Garner, ... 500.00

Nebraska—$30.73
Bethel Cong. for R. C. Flory, ... 30.73

Ohio—$622.80
N. E. Dist., Olivet S. S. for A. D. Helser, 58.07
N. W. Dist., Owl Creek Cong. for Lola Helser, $77.95; S. S.'s for Hattie Z. Alley, $236.78, ... 314.73
So. Dist., Bear Creek S. S. for Anne E. Lichty, ... 250.00

Pennsylvania—$771.00
Mid. Dist., Everett Cong. for Dr. Carl F. Coffman, $90; Albright Cong. & S. S. for Olivia D. Ikenberry, $21, ... 111.00
So. Dist., Missionary Soc. Waynesboro for Lizzie N. Flory, ... 150.00
W. Dist., Johnstown S. S. for Samuel B. Bowman, $50; Pittsburgh S. S. for Marie W. Brubaker, $60; Young People's Council for Mrs. H. L. Burke, $400, ... 510.00

Tennessee—$120.85
Congs. for Anna B. Seese, ... 120.85

Virginia—$371.26
E. Dist., Fairfax Cong. for M. M. Myers, 200.00
No. Dist., Greenmount Cong. for Dr. F. J. Wampler, ... 20.00
Sec. Dist., Middle River Aid Soc., $40; Middle River Cong, $5 for B. M. Flory; Barren Ridge for Nora Flory, $25; Elk Run Cong. for Sara Z. Myers, $31.26; Middle River Aid Soc. for Wendell Flory, $50, ... 151.26

West Virginia—$360.04
First Dist., Eglon, for Anna B. Mow, .. 360.04

Total for the month, ... $ 4,963.49
Total previously reported, ... 33,969.68

Total for the year, ... $ 38,933.17

BY THE EVENING LAMP

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on shelves, the greatest god sitting at the top and the next greatest on the next shelf, and so on. It was quite interesting, but we never had a chance to watch them worship. I would like for some with iron bars in it, and the people worshiped from the porch outside. Here were a lot of gods arranged girls my age to write to me. I would reply to their letters if they would. Madeleine Long.
Anklesvar, Dist. Broach, India.

I feel sure you are going to get a peck of letters from America, for a lot of the Juniors will want to ask you questions first-hand. Your letter was written very neatly.

Dear Aunt Adalyn: I have been in your pleasant circle once, will you let me in again? We live about thirty miles from the ocean. We don't get to see it very often though. I have been to see it twice. I have seen the ocean in California. We have had a rainy winter this year. If you want to see a blur of galoshes and raincoats you know where to come. We have an enrollment of sixty-seven in our Sunday-school. There are not many girls of my size here though. I have one sister. She is fifteen and in high school. We play together quite a bit. I wish some of the boys and girls would write to me. I would gladly answer.
Myrtle Point, Ore. Esther Smith.

Have you ever waded in the ocean? Did you see any shells on the Pacific beaches? I found some interesting bits on the Atlantic beach last summer, and was fascinated by the rolling in of the breakers.

NUTS TO CRACK

Find the First Names of Our Africa Missionaries

1. Send for the doctor; O, how ill I am!
2. She had as guest her uncle John.
3. He cannot hear like he used to.
4. Come here, Hazel; lay down your book.
5. Some people call my papa Ulysses.
6. Sam raked up the clover day after day.
7. The tourists at Mt. Hecla ran for their lives.
8. Rev. McLaren certified to his honesty.
9. If Lucifer means "light-bringing," "Luci-Lexicon" would mean a dictionary of light.
10. That wild animal is a jackal, Bertha.
11. She stopped long enough to say "hello!" last night.
12. There was a rich brown crust over the pie.
13. If Loy does not come soon, I'll phone.
14. Did Dan sail for Beirut? have you heard from him?
15. When I go home Robert will take me in his car.
16. She was born at Weimar; G. U. Eri tended her when a baby.
17. This vegetable has a raw taste.

Some Missionary Vegetables

1. U sprint.
2. E spat too.
3. Star or C.
4. Most eat O.
5. Son in O.
6. Nab a smile.
7. Crumbs cue.
8. Shears, Di.

(Answers next month)

FEBRUARY NUTS CRACKED

Decapitations.—1. Nail—ail. 2. Iago—ago. 3. Grime—rime. 4. Ebony—bony. 5. Rash—ash. 6. Islam—slam. 7. Alice—lice. The decapitated letters in order spell "Nigeria."

Hidden Missionaries.—1. Beahm. 2. Gibbel. 3. Harper. 4. Heckman. 5. Helser. 6. Kulp. 7. Mallott. 8. Shisler. 9. Burke.

Now turn back to page 68, and read Secretary Bonsack's message to the children, if you have not already done so. It is fresh from the field where you sent your gifts!

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Ping Ting Hsien, Shansi, China

Baker, Elizabeth, 1922
Brubaker, Leland S., 1924
Brubaker, Marie Woody, 1924
Cline, Mary E., 1920
Flory, Edna R., 1917
Hollenberg, Ada D., 1922
Hollenberg, John, 1926
Horning, Dr. D. L., 1919
Horning, Martha D., 1919
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Seese, Anna, 1917
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Smith, W. Harlan, 1920
Smith, Frances Sheller, 1920
Vaniman, Ernest D., 1913
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Liao Chou, Shansi, China

Coffman, Dr. Carl, 1921
Coffman, Lulu Ullom, 1919
Flory, Raymond, 1914
Flory, Lizzie N., 1914
Horning, Emma, 1903
Oberholtzer, I. E., 1916
Oberholtzer, Eliz. W., 1916
Pollock, Myrtle, 1917
Senger, Nettie M., 1916
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Clapper, V. Grace, 1917
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Heisey, Walter J., 1917
Heisey, Sue R., 1917
Neher, Minneva J., 1924

Tai Yuan, care of Y. M. C. A., Shansi, China

Ikenberry, E. L., 1922
Ikenberry, Olivia D., 1922

Peking, China, Yen Ching, School of Chinese Studies, 5 Tung Ssu, Tao Tiao

Ulrey, Ruth F., 1926

On Furlough

Bowman, Samuel B., 708 S. Central Park Ave., Chicago, Ill., 1918
Bowman, Pearl S., 1918
Bright, J. Homer, 1208 No. Wayne St., No. Manchester, Ind., 1911
Bright, Minnie F., 1911
Crumpacker, F. H., Elgin, Ill., 1908
Crumpacker, Anna N., 1908
Hutchison, Anna, Easton, Md., 1911
Myers, Minor M., Bridgewater, Va., 1919
Myers, Sara Z., 1919
Sollenberger, O. C., Tippecanoe City, O., care of J. W. Coppock, 1919
Sollenberger, Hazel C., 1919
Wampler, Dr. Fred J., Westminster, Md., R. 4, Bx. 92, 1913
Wampler, Rebecca C., 1913

AFRICA

Garkida, Nigeria, West Africa, via Jos & Numan

Beahm, William M., 1924
Beahm, Esther E., 1924
Flohr, Earl W., 1926
Flohr, Ella, 1926
Gibbel, Dr. J. Paul, 1926
Gibbel, Verda H., 1926
Harper, Clara, 1926
Heckman, Clarence C., 1924
Heckman, Lucile G., 1924
Helser, Albert D., 1922
Helser, Lola B., 1923
Kulp, H. Stover, 1922
Mallott, Floyd, 1924
Shisler, Sara, 1926

On Furlough

Burke, Dr. Homer L., 509 So. Honore St., Chicago, Ill., 1923
Burke, Marguerite S., 1923
Mallott, Ruth B., R. F. D., Greenville, Ohio, % I. G. Blocher, 1924

INDIA

Ahwa, Dangs, India

Garner, H. P., 1916
Garner, Kathryn B., 1916
Shull, Chalmer, 1919
Shull, Mary S., 1919

Anklesvar, Broach Dist., India

Grisso, Lillian, 1917
Long, I. S., 1903
Long, Effie V., 1903
Miller, Sadie J., 1903
Moomaw, I. W., 1923
Moomaw, Mabel W., 1923
Shickel, Elsie, 1921
Woods, Beulah, 1924

Bulsar, Surat Dist., India

Blickenstaff, Lynn A., 1920
Blickenstaff, Mary B., 1920
Cottrell, Dr. A. R., 1913
Cottrell, Dr. Laura M., 1913
Kintner, Elizabeth, 1919
Mohler, Jennie, 1916
Roop, Ethel, 1926
Shumaker, Ida C., 1910
Wagoner, J. Elmer, 1919
Wagoner, Ellen H., 1919

Dahanu Road, Thana Dist., India

Ebbert, Ella, 1917
Metzger, Dr. Ida, 1925
Nickey, Dr. Barbara M., 1915
Royer, B. Mary, 1913
Wolf, L. Mae, 1922

Jalalpor, Surat Dist., India

Miller, Eliza B., 1900
Mow, Baxter M., 1923
Mow, Anna Beahm, 1923

Vada, Thana Dist., India

Kaylor, John I., 1911
Kaylor, Ina M., 1921
Swartz, Goldie E., 1916

Palghar, Thana Dist., India

Alley, Howard L., 1917
Alley, Hattie Z., 1917
Hollenberg, Fred M., 1919
Hollenberg, Nora R., 1919

Post Umalla, via Anklesvar, India

Lichty, D. J., 1902
Lichty, Anna Eby, 1912
Summer, Benjamin F., 1919
Summer, Nettie B., 1919
Widdowson, Olive, 1912
Ziegler, Kathryn, 1908

Vyara, via Surat Dist., India

Blough, J. M., 1903
Blough, Anna Z., 1903
Brooks, Harlan J., 1924
Brooks, Ruth F., 1924
Mow, Anetta, 1917

On Furlough

Blickenstaff, Verna M., Cerro Gordo, Ill., 1919
Brumbaugh, Anna B., Hartville, O., 1919
Butterbaugh, Andrew G., 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
Butterbaugh, Bertha L., 1919
Ebey, Adam, N. Manchester, Ind., % College, 1900
Ebey, Alice K., 1900
Forney, D. L., LaVerne, Calif., 1897
Forney, Anna M., 1897
Miller, Arthur S. B., 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
Miller, Jennie B., 1919
Replogle, Sara, New Enterprise, Pa., 1919

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Bolinger, Amsey, 1922
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Editorial

The Visitor editor is greatly indebted to Miss Susan L. Stoner, vice president and educational secretary of the United Student Volunteers, for her earnest labors and valuable collaboration in the preparation of this special Student Volunteer issue of the Visitor. For a number of years the April issue has been dedicated to the Student Volunteers. Past issues will give splendid historical material on the Student Volunteer Movement in our church.

Appreciation is hereby expressed to others who have so kindly made their contributions. Visitor readers will find this issue stored with rich material.

Keeping Our Purpose. Some people think that Jesus was rather exacting on the young fellow about whom he spoke these words: "Take therefore the talent from him and give it unto him which hath ten talents. For unto every one that hath shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but from him that hath not shall be taken away even that which he hath." Whether it is harsh and exacting or not, this is a law of the universe and it operates all around us in every phase of life today.

This man had one talent. He refused to use it and it was taken away. Every phase of modern life testifies that this law is in operation.

A man has a strong right arm. If he uses it his arm remains strong and increases in

IN MEMORIAM

A. W. ROSS, Missionary to India, 1904. North Manchester, May 31, 1926.

VIDA A. WAMPLER, Missionary to China, 1918. Rocky Ford, Colo., Oct. 6, 1926.

HOWARD E. HOFF, La Verne College. Glendora, Calif., July 21, 1926.

strength. But let him carry that arm in a sling for twelve months (as the man did his one talent), and the strength which he formerly had is taken away. Bind up your eyes for a certain length of time and your vision is gone. This law will hold true in any phase of life—financial, moral, mental, physical—anywhere: USE AND INCREASE or REFUSE TO INVEST AND LOSE WHAT YOU HAVE.

The greatest problem that we Volunteers face is that of keeping our interest keen and our purpose strong. When we signed the card there was a flame glowing within our hearts. We purposed to turn our backs on selfish interests and follow the Master wherever he led. But how many old Volunteers have lost that glow and have even given up their purpose!

It's the same old law at work: Interest and purpose taken away and given to some one who used what he had. Folks, there is only one way to maintain our ardor through the years. The man who invests what interest he has—studies missions, prays for missions, gives to missions, and serves in whatever way he can—**that** man's interest is sure to increase. But from him who fails to use, even that which he has is taken away.

God help us Volunteers to keep our interest keen and our purposes constant by fidelity in the investment of our interest in the Master's work.

M. Guy West, President,
United Student Volunteers.

Being Ambassadors. The office of ambassadorship is one of great trust and responsibility. The ambassador, or envoy, is given the authority to represent his country in that of another nation. He interprets the policy of his country when certain issues arise. Through its ambassador one country makes itself known to another country.

Paul says in 2 Cor. 5: 20: "We are ambassadors therefore on behalf of Christ, as though God were entreating by us," our message being this: "We beseech you in behalf of Christ, be ye reconciled to God." Think of the great trust placed in our hands. We, who know Christ and his salvation, are to bear that message to those who know him not. In that sense we are mediators.

Think of the vast resources of the "kingdom" that we represent! Think of the wealth of love and grace that our King wants to bestow upon lost men, just as fully and rapidly as we, his ambassadors, through whom he works, will carry this "good news" to needy men.

God is counting on our faithfulness in the high office to which he has called us. He is offering through us a treaty of **peace** that passeth all understanding, as it is a "peace not as the world giveth." The world is hungry for this soul-satisfying peace. Dare we fail to represent our King and withhold that which he so freely offers to all who will accept? The charge rests upon **us.** Will we prove true and faithful?

Susan L. Stoner, Vice-President.

The Cross as a Challenge. "If the **Cross** is not a challenge to sacrifice, then there is none," remarked a great spiritual leader recently. We need not look for a greater challenge than Christ himself. The love that was manifested in his life of ministry and service is climaxed in his death on the cross.

That ignominious, cruel death, the crucifixion upon the cross, is raised to the most glorious height when its significance is realized. Factually, Christ was lifted up on the cross but once, and that time by his enemies; yet spiritually, he is ever to be lifted up by his friends, that others afar off may look unto him and be saved. Christ has that invincible power of drawing all men unto himself—when once he is manifested before them.

"The love of Christ constraineth me," says Paul. In him we see matchless beauty, perfect goodness, and complete truth—the very Deity himself—our Savior. It is this Christ

of Love for whom the world is longing. As Christ's followers we have the unique privilege and responsibility of presenting Christ to the world by various means—our words, deeds and very attitudes. Can the world see Christ in you? In me?

Another significance of the cross is this: Christ's supreme sacrifice, giving his life that others might live, is ever a challenge to us. He bids us to take up our crosses and follow him. There are many interpretations as to the meaning of one's cross. This seems to vary with different individuals. The cross to Christ was literally and spiritually a heavy load. May it not be that our cross should be the burden of concern for the spiritual welfare of lost souls, and the work of Christ's kingdom? Cost what it may, let us take Christ seriously and make a complete sacrifice of our lives for the extension of his kingdom.

Susan L. Stoner, Vice-President.



Which Shall It Be?

Today's Missionary to China

ANNA M. HUTCHISON
Missionary to China

THE conditions that obtain on the mission fields of today, especially of India and China, call for a readjustment of the missionary to those conditions.

There is no call for a change in the message of the missionary. Our dear sainted Bro. Williams stressed a true statement: "The one message of the missionary to the heathen world is the message of the Christ." He is the same yesterday, today and forever, and that message will never change as long as there are lost souls to save.

The mission field will ever need men and women intellectually well trained, whose broader, comprehensive knowledge gives true perspective, keener insight and enlarged vision.

But the change called for is in the method of presentation of the message, and in particular, in **the manner of approach.** There is also a need of readjustment to the changing program within the church, in order to fit into present conditions. In times past the missionary did the work and had control. Then later he carried on the work with Chinese assistance. Now we are entering the period in its various stages, when the Chinese church is taking control. They have passed the stage of being cradled or carried, and now desire to walk for themselves, which desire is to be welcomed, for it indicates growth. The foreigner or missionary in China, who once was looked upon as a **superior,** is now considered more as an **equal.** The right kind are not only welcome, but appreciated. In this transitional period of change from the foreign mission to the indigenous Chinese church, a wise missionary fills a great need.

The conditions that obtain in China today are challenging the missionary and all Christians to CHRISTLIKE LIVING. To put it in the language of a Chinese, "China needs more Jesusism."

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A certain Chinese said to a certain missionary when asked if he knew Jesus, "My neighbor got Jesus and I am learning about him."

They are not saying they no longer want the help of the missionary in their midst, but there is a tendency to designate the kind of missionary wanted. In and out of the church there is a growing spirit of patriotism and nationalism which is nation-wide.

This spirit of nationalism is the outgrowth of the New Thought movement that is taking place among the thinking class of the Chinese today. They are recognizing their own inherent values of civilization and culture. They are no longer clamoring for Western education and customs in wholesale lots. Neither are they rejecting these nor Christianity, but are investigating, with the purpose of retaining only what they consider practical and that which will contribute to their welfare and progress. Thus many of them are reading the Bible and investigating Christianity. They are almost universally in sympathy with Christ and his teachings and are looking to the church—to the missionaries and to professing Christians—perhaps as never before, to exemplify the Christ life and the spirit of his Gospel.

Along with these general changes that have come into existence in the present conditions of China, marvelous changes have taken place and are taking place for her women. Privileges of education and personal freedom are opening up a new world of hope to them. The missionary has a unique opportunity to give direction to this new-found freedom.

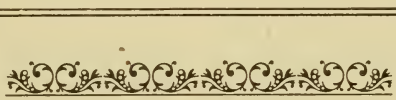
All this we have said to show very briefly

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Today's Missionary to India

A. S. B. MILLER
Missionary to India

A FEW years ago it was the writer's privilege, while tarrying at one of the beautiful hill stations of the Himalayas, where missionaries of many denominations gather each year, to hear a sermon by a missionary who had spent a number of years of faithful service in India. That sermon, because of certain interpretations and implications, caused many good people to have a feeling of dissent. One, a missionary, who had heard the sermon and was very much opposed to the views, and in fact was almost intolerant of them, a few days later called upon the pastor of the church who was a fellow-missionary of the Sunday morning speaker. The conversation drifted to a discussion of the Sunday morning sermon. The caller indicated his disapproval of the views presented in the sermon. In answer the pastor, in substance, said: "I do not hold similar theological views with my colleague, but during the three years of my missionary career he and his wife lived with us. We not only lived together, but we toured in the villages together, sharing the same tent, and were closely associated in the work. I must say that we were never so closely associated with anyone with whom it was such a pleasure to work or who was so congenial in every way. I would say further that although we do not hold the same theological views, I have often seen him make the Christian religion clear and understandable to the Indian people when I have failed to do so. His non-Christian neighbors always loved him."



What tributes to a fellow-missionary! Congenial and fine to work with; able to make the Christian religion understandable to non-Christians; a good neighbor.

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The twofold wonder of India at the present hour is the Christianizing of well-nigh every movement in India, and the Indianizing of the Christian movement itself, with Jesus as the Dynamic Center of attraction in both these cardinal facts.

What tributes to a fellow-missionary! **Congenial** and fine to work with; able to make the Christian religion **understandable** to non-Christians; a **good neighbor.** Would it be a misjudgment to add also that being a good neighbor was one of the secrets of his success in making Christ real to men?

A Ceylonese student, in writing about C. F. Andrews, that remarkable English missionary in India, said: "He forcibly reminds me of the disciples of our Lord. **Service, love** and **humility,** these flow out of him most naturally. Students go and ask him to teach the Bible and tell them about Jesus. His life, service and thinking are rooted in Jesus Christ. His Christian example and contribution to Hindu India is great. He moves about India as a ministering angel of Jesus Christ. He is popularly called 'The Christian Andrew.' The secret of the charm and success of Andrew's life are in the following: 1. He dared to follow Jesus absolutely, forgetting that he was an Englishman in India, not caring to make compromise for the sake of racial, national and cultural prestige. 2. He served India, not with any superior consciousness, but with sincere admiration, love and devotion. 3. His life was moulded in very intimate fellowship with Indians and their culture. I will never like Andrews to go away from India. If Christian missionaries from the West come to us like him they will never be dispensable. To all missionaries I say with Gandhi, 'Copy Charlie Andrews.'" This is one of the finest tributes ever paid to a Christian missionary, but instead of copying the second best let us take

this as our standard: "Copy Jesus Christ."

This is a scientific age in which we live, and science has accomplished much in the last decade, but there is one substitution which science has been unable to make, and that is A SUBSTITUTE FOR LOVE. Never was this characteristic needed more in the life of one who represents Jesus Christ on the foreign field than today. India, in her rising spirit of nationalism, is very sensitive to any tendency grounded in love. Today's Missionary to India, who gets into the heart of India, must first of all get India on his heart. Just on this point a fellow-missionary has written these words: "I myself was first a volunteer for Africa, but since I was sent to India, India is my burden, even while I think of Africa. India gives us more to think about than we have time to think about properly." And we who know the writer of those words know that the heart back of them is filled with compassion for India's uplift.

A great Christian statesman of Western India tells us, from his eighteen years' experience and observation, that at the beginning of his missionary career India's attitude to Jesus was what might be called hard and unyielding if not hostile, but the change which has taken place can only be described as a revolution. The thing that impresses us is not that Jesus has been merely attracting to himself individual Indians at a rate several times greater than that of the country's annual increase of population, though this is a worthy note, but the twofold wonder of India at the present hour is **the Christianizing of well-nigh every movement in India,** and **the Indianizing of the Christian movement itself, with Jesus as the Dynamic Center of attraction in both these cardinal facts.** The situation, in fact, is one of the biggest in the history of Christendom, the only fear being whether we, who are living in the actual situation, will be big enough to deal with it as it requires.

Some would say, "What a challenge to Today's Missionary to India!" But rather let us say, "What a challenge to Christendom!" Does anyone suppose that in the stupendous task of making Jesus Christ **real** to the people of India the home church has discharged her full obligation and contributed her full and only help when she has furnished the finances of the program? Let us say most emphatically that so far as the effectiveness of the foreign program is concerned it is just as essential that "Copy Jesus Christ" become the slogan of Christians at home and they live Christlike lives, as it is for Today's Missionary to India. Indians can see our shortcomings clear across the ocean and can feel the warmness or coldness of our spiritual pulse at this distance. Furthermore, nothing could be more encouraging to Today's Missionary to India than to be backed by a consecrated group of people who actually take Jesus seriously and whose lives are literally filled with the Spirit of Jesus Christ.

It is quite common for the average person to get the idea that the life of Today's Missionary to India is a very thrilling and romantic experience. It may be so for the first few months, but the thrill wears off soon enough. Read an extract from a recent letter of a missionary on the field to her home folks:

Perhaps our chatter in our letters about the ordinary things may not appeal to you as mission work. Well, it's very **ordinary** work we are doing, and by our daily acts, even though ordinary, we try to interpret the life of him whom we have come to represent. If we can keep school, and feed children, and look after the general living of the school and its staff, meet our neighbors in their joys and in their sorrows, talk with the strangers who come to our doors—all in the spirit of our Master—perhaps we are accomplishing the same as he did when he was here in the world doing the ordinary tasks among men. We love our job, and even though things do not always "pan out" as we plan, yet we are glad to be here to help bring in the day when "the meek shall inherit the earth," and delight themselves in the abundance of peace.

Today's Missionary to India realizes that the transformation which has taken place in India has come about through her contact with the power of Jesus Christ as it has shone forth through vital Christian character. For the consummation of the great task of winning India to Jesus Christ there will need be a repetition of the past, only more of it; viz., more efficient Christian living on the part of all living Christians. All Christendom must arise to the challenge if we hope for victory in India.

Why Women Missionaries in Nigeria

RUTH BLOCHER MALLOTT
Missionary to Africa

OUR present work is among the Bura people. They are pagan. There are many missionaries of Mohammedanism traveling through the villages, but the Bura women have been only slightly affected by them. These missionaries are men who travel as traders. **Nigeria's greatest undeveloped resource is her women.** The Buras are one of the most intelligent tribes of the northern provinces. Only the most capable women in the Church of the Brethren can successfully meet this great opportunity for Christian service.

Pagan Life of the Bura Women

When a Bura man lists his property it includes so many gowns, goats, **women,** and if he is wealthy, a horse. At his death, if the wife is of child-bearing age she is given to another member of the family when the other property is divided.

The Bura woman is financially independent. She clears her own farm, plants, reaps, and stores its products. She builds her own little house or room in the master's compound, "carries her own purse," may invest her money in goats or cattle, taking care of the business herself, and if there are children must largely provide for them.

The privations and hardships that a pagan polygamous society imposes on the women cause them to age rapidly. Sin and disease quickly change the beautiful young girls into haggard, wrinkled old women who seem as unlovely as humans can become. Motherhood takes a heavy toll in mothers' and babies' lives. These women have as many superstitions about this greatest event in a woman's life as in any land where Christianity has not brought its message of love and reverence.

The loving companionship of marriage among Christians is never found among pagans. Divorce and adultery are common. Sin changes intelligent children into beings whose finer feelings are blunted and to whom living is expressed as merely satisfying the senses.

Opportunities for Christian Service

It would be a stony-hearted Christian who would not be burdened with the misery of paganism, as is seen in the women's lives. They cannot realize it, but we who know the joys of peace and fellowship with God want to share our blessings with them. The intellect that is stifled by sin can be unshackled by the sympathetic teaching of women missionaries. It is a woman who can best understand the heart of another woman.

A mother can best teach another mother how to care for a baby. A Christian woman can best teach another woman the beauty and purity of Christian womanhood. It will



A Bura Home

A Bura widow who is too old to marry. She has this home near some of her family and cares for herself. Notice her grain bins and wood.

take consecrated girls to teach the black girls to read, write, sew and develop worthwhile characters. The energy and cleverness of these girls would appeal to any teacher's heart. Christian nurses must help heal bodies full of pain. A government report gave infant mortality in one section of the country as from seventy to eighty-five per cent. Most of these little lives could be saved if the most meagre medical help were available. One traveler said he could tell a Christian community by the number of babies tumbling under his feet.

The black women are clever. They learn quicker by **example** than by teaching. I am sure they would say "What you **are** speaks so loud, I cannot hear what you **say.**" The missionary mother, teacher or nurse will be able to win her way into the hearts of the women, if the women can see her message lived out in her own life. The black woman has a sense of the ridiculous, and would be keen to see the difference between teaching and practice.

The initiative and ability of the Bura women will be of great value in carrying the "good news" to her land. To transliterate our old adage we could say, "The back that carries the baby will lead the tribe." All Africa will be won for Christ as soon as the mothers accept his message.

The following comparison, clipped from West Africa, the weekly newspaper of Nigeria or the West Coast, is given by Miss Elms, so well known for her work at Iyi Enu Hospital.

"The mothers' and children's dispensary day, held every Tuesday, provides a study in contrasts. There are the beautiful, well-nourished babies of the Christian mothers, many of whom are in daily contact with the mission amenable to instruction, and there are the poor, ill-nourished, rickety, dirty children, brought by unwashed, unclothed, anæmic-looking women, bearing the marks of hard toil and meagre living. Their babies are puny, wizened little creatures, with such sad, old faces. Many of them are taken, perforce, tied on the mother's back, while she spends hours of weary toil in the fields; or, as an alternative, they are left with a small child of five or more years, who feeds the baby with putrid water, coconut milk, or badly-prepared ground corn mixed with water."

TODAY'S MISSIONARY TO CHINA

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a few outstanding changes taking place in China, in the midst of which the missionary must adjust himself to make his life and work count for the most. In my humble opinion, today's missionary to China needs, first, a thorough knowledge of the Bible; second, an experimental knowledge of Jesus Christ; and third, a good supply of common sense. He further needs to study and keep in constant touch with the changed and changing conditions. He needs to study in an appreciative way both China's old and new civilization, as well as the religions of that country. This new civilization is expressed by the New Thought movement which is a new philosophy of life. And he needs to make a personal application of the four "musts" as expressed by the Hindu for the success of Christianity in India. First, Christians must live more like Christ; second, Christians must practice and teach their religion without adulterating it or toning it down; third, emphasis must be put on love as the working force; fourth, Christians must study non-Christian religions in order to have a sympathetic touch with them.

The conditions that obtain in China today are challenging the missionary and all Christians to **Christlike living.** To put it in the language of one of the Chinese, "China needs more Jesusism." Perhaps the pagan put it strongly when he said, "If all Christians would live true to their Bibles for five years, China and India would be converted." Nevertheless, there may be more truth than we realize in this statement by John R. Mott: "The greatest hindrance to the evangelization of the world are those within the church." For, "Christ interpreted through experience and backed by fine living is almost irresistible." They are reading the Gospel by the missionary, and readily recognize if we "have been with Jesus and learned of him," and accordingly are "constrained to glorify our Father who art in heaven." As a Chinese said to a certain missionary, when asked if he knew Jesus, **"My neighbor, he got him and I am learning about him."**

Again, the missionary, in his approach to the Chinese of the present day, needs to take a friendly attitude, and in this Americans

have a supreme advantage, as they are almost universally considered by the Chinese as their friends. There will always be a place in China for the true friend. One experienced worker laid emphasis to the fact in these words: "If there were pointed out to me a missionary who has found some real friends among the natives, I have no doubt as to the success of that person." The love expressed in friendship will speak its own language, and is a language that all understand. A member of our Mission Board, we feel, sensed the true situation and the rightful attitude when he wrote us: "I feel that these are days when we must approach our task in China with much faith in those people and with enthusiasm in our cause, or else we shall find great difficulty in fitting into a great need and opportunity that requires saints and servants of the finest type."

The desire among Christians in China for an indigenous church, one that Mr. Koo defines as, "partaking of the Chinese spirit, and expressed in the Chinese way," or in other words, "Chinese in tone and form," is growing. There is also, in the application and adapting of the Gospel teaching, a growing tendency to place emphasis on the moral and spiritual teaching of the Word, rather than on the maze of religious formulæ and dogma of the Christian religion represented by the more than 130 sects found in their land. They claim that "Jesus devoted himself to proclaiming a Gospel, rather than defending a set of doctrines old or new." One writer describes the present Chinese thought in these words: "In spite of all the anti-Christian movements, the trend of Chinese thought, both consciously and still more unconsciously, is toward the acceptance of the moral teachings of Christ and also the recognition of religion as the basis of conscience."

The desire for an indigenous church, to be termed "The Church of Christ for China," is taking form in the call for a first General Assembly to meet at Hang Chou, Sept. 1, 1927, at which time they purpose to take measures deciding upon their tenets of faith and practice. Just what will develop therefrom, or how all-inclusive it may prove to be, waits to be seen. Should their plans carry it is evident the missionaries and the missions will need to make an adjustment to this new phase of the Christian church in China. In order to bring China to Christ, and also be loyal to the home church which we represent, can we do better in the training of our Chinese leaders, than to place the main emphasis on a real, vital heart touch with God? This accomplished will lead them to that expression of his truth that can best save China, even though it may be by a method other than we had planned.

It was said at the Washington Conference that the East is wanting our Christ, but not our interpretation of him. Christian and non-Christian alike are recognizing and acknowledging that China's greatest need today is Jesus Christ and the spirit of his Gospel—the spirit of love, sympathy, forgiveness and self-sacrificing service. As Dr. Y. Y. Tsu of St. John's expressed it: "What my country needs supremely is a spiritual message. She is waiting for that great moral dynamic which comes only from the recognition of the sovereignty of God in the life of man and our responsibility to him." Yes, China needs the vital heart-touch with God—the abundant life and the propelling power from a personal Savior.

As the Chinese take control of the Christian church, they will need much sympathetic guidance. Only a comparatively small beginning has been made toward the Christianizing of China. The task is stupendous, the problems many. We need "To advance on our knees," for this more than a human task, and "the future will be as bright as the promises of God."

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

"The weary ones had rest, the sad had joy
That day, and wondered 'how'?
A plowman, singing at his work, had prayed,
'Lord, help them now.'

"Away in foreign lands they wondered 'how'
Their simple words had power?
At home, the Christians, two or three, had met
To pray an hour!

"Yes, we are always wondering, wondering 'how,'
Because we do not see
Some one, unknown perhaps, and far away
On bended knee."

—Selected.



Pioneer Missionaries to Oriental Lands

(Left to right.) Mrs. W. B. Stover, W. B. Stover, H. Stover Kulp, Bertha Ryan Shirk, A. D. Helser, Mrs. A. D. Helser, Frank H. Crumpacker, Mrs. F. H. Crumpacker.

Nearly all of the first missionaries to our Oriental lands were at the Lincoln Annual Conference last year. Emma Horning was in the first party to China and at present she is at work on the field. All of the first missionaries to our fields are living with the exception of Ruth Royer Kulp who died in Africa in 1924. Sister Stover from India was not at Conference. Sister Crumpacker was present but could not appear in the picture. The picture of these two workers was taken later and attached to the group.

Why I Came to Africa

W. M. BEAHM
Missionary to Africa

BECAUSE I believe in the authority and personal implications of the great word of Jesus: "Go and make disciples of all nations; baptize them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, and teach them to obey all the commands I have laid on you. And I will be with you all the time, to the very end of the world." So long as this charge rests upon us unfulfilled there are personal implications to duty.

BECAUSE I came in touch with the Student Volunteer Movement for Foreign Missions. To sit down alone, "open-doored to God," facing the unsigned statement, "It is my purpose, if God permit, to become a foreign missionary," brushes away a lot of fog and subterfuge in choosing a life work. It clarifies issues and starts a process that will result either in setting one's face toward the mission field or in entering some other field of service with the same high aims and motives that genuine foreign mission service has always exacted. I am here.

One's personal purpose is both strengthened and articulated in further fellowship with the members of the Movement. And as in common we worked into our several lives the passion of the watchword—"The Evangelization of the World in This Generation"—our feet were set far forward in the path. Wider appreciation of the full implications of evangelism dare not postpone the fulfillment of that watchword. I am at it.

BECAUSE I believe foreign missions are an especial obligation to a non-resistant church. Having been an exempted student during the war I felt obliged to seek out a life work equally demanding of abandoned dedication. I felt and feel that for myself it is found in foreign mission service. And moreover, our refusal to enter military serv-

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Volunteers Who Sailed in 1926



Verda Hershberger Gibbel
Africa
Mount Morris College, A. B.
Bethany Bible School



Dr. J. Paul Gibbel
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Mount Morris College, A. B.
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Ethel A. Roop
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Western Md. College, A. B.
Battle Creek Sanitarium, R. N.



Sara C. Shisler
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Elizabethtown—Manchester, A. B.
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Earl W. Flohr
Africa
Bridgewater College, A. B.
Clark University, A. M.



Ella Miller Flohr
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Bridgewater College, A. B., A. M.

Thoughts

Wayside Meditations by a Nurse in Preparation

HAZEL M. MINNICH
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IF variety is the spice of life, surely a nurse's life has plenty of spice. I suppose everyone learns something new each day, but the things that one learns daily in a hospital are so very interesting. To meet hundreds of people rather intimately is pure joy—if you love people.

For a few weeks we had the most unpromising-looking little Jewish lady—so miserable, always moaning, always something the matter. "Darlin', what'll we do? I can't stand it!" she asked so pleadingly one afternoon. I filled her hot-water bag again for what seemed to me the three-hundredth time. She smiled at last as she said, "Darlin', you saved me life." That day I learned that everybody has a lovable spot somewhere—that if you just get on the inside by a tiny bit of kindness, there is something in everyone that will make you love her.

On another day things went wrong. It took so much time to help the doctors with dressings, give extra treatments, care for patients back from operation—no end to work and so many delays. But in the evening, when a little old lady asked, "Are you going now?" and when I answered, "Yes," she shook her head so sadly and said, "I am sorry for you to go"—I learned that there is compensation for whatever may seem hard. When Mrs. D—— told of her trouble during the afternoon and said, "If you had been here it wouldn't have happened," I thought that the reward of work faithfully done will come, though perhaps not in the form one is expecting it.

In these days, when there are more things to do than there is time in which to do them, it would be easier to get along without a conscience, to slash through in the shortest possible time. But although the coveted name of an efficient nurse may be the reward of work done without conscience, the consciousness of having done the work well and that Mrs. E—— will sleep better because she had a good back rub when it really was not coming to her, pays for anything else lost.

Perhaps the most painful part of nurses' training is the **discipline** while at work. Every nurse, I think, tries to do her best; but mistakes and failures are such serious matters to the patient and to the hospital that they cannot be excused. It is easy to see why excuses cannot be allowed, for there is an excuse for every mistake. So that by the time you have learned to take the blame for all of your own mistakes, and a good many of some one else's, gracefully, being able to see **the larger good,** a great amount of **self-control** has been developed. Our ambition is to be leaders; thus, respect for authority, ability to take orders and carry them out accurately and efficiently, are lessons that we need to learn before the leadership, for which we as volunteers hope, is attempted.

Incidentally, in these times when criticism seems harsh, it is a fight to keep the blues away. The one way I have found is to turn the thoughts **out**-ward instead of **in**-ward. It works like a charm! Instead of thinking of the annoyances of the day, of how many people dislike you—if you can turn your thoughts to thinking of how many people you have made comfortable or happier during the day, and of how you can make tomorrow a better day, and set out once more to try to cheer some one less fortunate than yourself—the blues will soon have flown with the winds.

But the time when thoughts turn to God is the nighttime. Mrs. W—— had been having pain all day, and finally it was long past time to sleep and still she had no rest. While leaving, the nurse said, "I will remember you in my prayers tonight." The next morning the woman was all smiles as she greeted the nurse, "I had a much better night last night. I knew you and sonny were praying for me." It is surprising how many respond when spoken to about spiritual things.

On the other hand, when so many show plainly by their conversation that they are not Christian, one feels as though nearly the whole world were still to be evangelized.

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Being a Missionary's Daughter

LOIS EBEY
Student Manchester College

OF course, a missionary's daughter—son, also—must obtain an education as well as anyone else's daughter.

However, going to school in India is very different from going to school in this wonderful land of America. For a missionary's daughter leaves home—not for merely a day, but for the whole school year of nine months.

The schools for English and American children are usually situated at hill stations because of the heat down on the plains. School begins in March and ends in December, so that the children are able to spend the best part of the year, the cool season, at home. Many of the children in these schools are missionaries' sons and daughters, but the majority are English or Anglo-Indian, children of government officials and business men.

The journey to school is always a merry time, for, with such a lively group of children one cannot remain unhappy very long. After the first pangs of sorrow at leaving home and parents are gone, and all traces of tears are carefully wiped away, all soon become merry and bright again—for are there not only two hundred and seventy days left until time to return?

Missionaries' children are the same as other children—fond of fun and mischief. Therefore, the mission conference, which is held every year in March, just before the opening of school, is eagerly looked forward to as a time when all the missionaries' children can be together. Of course the children are not interested in the various discussions of the different committees; thus they spend a very pleasant time playing together. The older ones amuse themselves by taking care of the smaller ones, and watching them in their play. The social evening of the conference is always a delight, because all of the children are asked to take a part in this event.

A missionary's child naturally learns the Indian language as readily as English, and it is as easy to speak in Gujarati or Marathi as in English.

A missionary's daughter is usually at a disadvantage when she comes to America. She is often asked to speak in public concerning her school life, and very often she



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has had no experience at all in doing that thing. Some of her lessons, too, are harder for her than for the average American student, because the English course of study is used in the schools in India. In other lessons, though, she is ahead of her fellow-students.

Another disadvantage is that, after making friends with girls in school in India, when she comes to America with her parents on a furlough, she must say good-bye to these friends, and come to a land where she feels strange, knowing very few people. She leaves these friends, realizing that it is altogether possible, and very probable, that she will never see them again.

But she also has many advantages. For instance, not very many American girls have the opportunity to travel around the world, and to observe the customs of different nations, as she has.

A missionary's daughter, therefore, has many advantages, and her disadvantages are so slight, that I believe it pays to be one.

WHY I CAME TO AFRICA

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ice demands that we make some positive and obvious contribution to the solution of the problems which issue in war. Need one ask for other than a whole-hearted missionary program to do this?

BECAUSE there is actual and unmet need here; no chance to read, no medical care, no voice of God among them, bound by fear and environed by hovels—thus have these black thousands awaited "the messenger of God who cometh late." It is also God's will that the glories of these nations be brought into his kingdom.

BECAUSE of the urgency of the Moslem issue. There is great satisfaction in knowing one is working on the edge of Moslem advance. And that more can be done in this particular generation to save these people from the subtle dangers of the "better" religion, which will be a long barrier to their accepting the "best" than will be possible for many a year thereafter.

BECAUSE of the inspiration of others in the work. One cannot read of Mary Slessor of Calabar without feeling that, even his little, given fully to these people, will have abiding results. Nor can he read of Dr. Albert Schweitzer playing the fugues of Bach to awe-struck primitives—crowning his day's medical service by the wealth of his European culture while the night steals up out of the forest—without feeling that the **best** is none too good for the child races of the world. Then, too, I was particularly drawn to Africa by having been intimately associated with those who had ventured out a year or two earlier to lay claim on these people for Christ. I counted it and count it a privilege to be associated with those who have been thus used of Christ in his service.

BECAUSE I felt a sense of divine approval on my purpose to come that I missed in thinking of any other work. Not that God's highest place of service for everyone is in Africa, or in foreign missions, or in full-time religious work. But **for me** it was all of them. And so long as this work is unfinished there are other students whose highest place of service is here. Who they are and what are the divine tokens of the pathway to the work I cannot say. But they will appear to the dedicated eye. There can be no more tragic feeling than that the work one is in is not the highest will of God. Nor is there any higher joy than the knowledge that one is fulfilling his will.

HAMMER AND CHISEL

Sometimes I think if I could be
A carpenter as Jesus was,
And plan and build the same as he,
Plying the hammer and the saws,
Causing the ribbons of the wood
To roll like waves about my feet,
That life would be more understood,
Would happier prove and more complete.

For when I'd shape a joist or beam,
Or smooth the roughness from a board,
Might not some glory of that dream
Of his, my Fellow and my Lord,
Descend on me, and might not I
Catch through the lapse of centuries
The psalm-chant of his plane's soft cry,
His shingle-tapping rhapsodies?

Might not my rafters firmly set
To hold the crowning roof in place,
Suggest that surer parapet
Of love reflected from his face;
And might not I in each design
My workmanship would make arise
View in far outline his divine
And lasting temple of the skies?

—Will Chamberlain, in The Congregationalist.

INDIA NOTES FOR JANUARY

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Anna E. Lichty

"As cold waters to a thirsty soul," so was the recent visit of Brother and Sister D. O. Cottrell. Our people looked forward eagerly to the coming of Dr. Saheb's elder brother. Many questions were asked concerning his size, cleverness and work as compared with the doctor. Bro. Cottrell's stay in our midst and his message to the church were much appreciated.

Surjan, one of our young teachers in the Vali school, has successfully completed his first year in teacher training at Anklesvar. He has just entered upon his year of teaching as required before being entered in second-year training class. This lad, like little Samuel, heard the call when a mere child in the Vali Boarding-school. He has been a zealous Christian from the day of his baptism. His father is a zealous religious leader among the Bhil people. He has always been very proud of his clever little son and wanted him to have a good education. But as the boy grew older and his father began to realize that Christianity had taken deep root in Surjan's life, every effort was made to persuade him against Christ. During the recent Christmas vacation, while in his father's home, Surjan met real opposition and persecution. His father said, "If you continue a Christian, you are not my son." Surjan replied, "I am God's son." Pray for this young soldier of the cross, that he may continue valiant in the battle and finally win his father to Christ's kingdom.

This is the busy season of the year for those engaged in evangelistic work. The weather is ideal, the people are not so busy in the fields and have more time to listen to the good news—everything is conducive to work for the evangelists and they are "making hay while the sun shines." Bro. Summer and his band of helpers are working among the Potidars (caste people) near Nandod, the capital of Rajpipla State, while Sister Ziegler and her party are working in the villages where there are schools in charge of Christian masters.

Bro. Lichty and Bro. Nagarji Dunji, members of the District Mission Board, have just returned from Rudha, our District Mission field of Gujarat, where they had gone to investigate and assist in the work. They report commendable progress in both school and evangelistic efforts. The work in this isolated station has had a hard pull of recent years. Bro. Renchord Rama is in charge of the operations and he is laboring faithfully with a great love for the people.

Ahwa Notes for December

Kathryn Garner

The regular church council was held on the evening of Dec. 27. The Sunday-school officers for the ensuing year were elected. Sister Shull was chosen delegate to Annual Conference.

A number of boys who have been in our Boys' Boarding-school are now out in various lines of work. In order to keep in touch with them, an alumni meeting was planned for the evening of Dec. 29, when a goat was served for the banquet. A number of helpful talks were given, and after prayer the first alumni meeting of the Ahwa School closed, and all felt that it had been worth while.

Our Marathi District (separated from the Gujarati area because of difference in language) Meeting was held here at Ahwa Dec. 31—Jan. 3. The business session convened on the last day only. The preceding days were filled with devotional meetings. Mr. Modak, a retired business man from Bombay, gave most helpful and inspiring messages. It was gratify-

What He Tried to Tell

In the month of December our little village at Vali was saddened by the death of a Christian youth, Mansing Dadlo, after only a few days' illness. This young man had completed first-year teacher training in the Anklesvar Vocational Training School, and was teaching in a village eight miles distant. He was the eldest son and the pride of his parents. As death was creeping over him he struggled to say something, but could not be understood. His father would say, "If we only knew what he wanted to tell us!" Several days after the funeral, Mansing's clothes and belongings were brought home from his boarding place. Among his papers was found a letter written to his parents, in which he pleaded with them to devote their lives more whole-heartedly to the Lord's service. His father said, "This is what he was trying to tell us when dying." The parents were grief-stricken, and their son's death and his last message to them have impressed them deeply. Pray that they may serve the Lord more faithfully, as was their dying son's request.—From India News Notes.

ing to hear such good gospel sermons from one who has made his own living. By his talks one would never know but that he had been a preacher all his life. He is not a young man, but one of experience, which added strength to what he said. He spends a good deal of his time now in writing tracts or helpful leaflets. A number of speeches were made by our own missionaries, and Indian brethren, too. All gave good suggestions and things for thought.

An interesting feature in preparing for the meeting was the cutting down of a tree for fuel to be used in cooking the food. When the committee of arrangements was considering how to supply the wood during the meeting, it was suggested that a dead tree in the mission compound be used. On the appointed day volunteers came with ax and saw and it was brought to the ground and cut. It was a very large tree, so there was more than was needed. The remainder was sold, and the money used towards the expenses of the meeting.

On the second Sunday of these special meetings Bro. Shull gave a most helpful message to the Sunday-school teachers and officers, impressing upon them their responsibility, and all were asked to pledge themselves to carry on the work as best they could with the Holy Spirit's guidance. Will you not pray that the year 1927 may be one of great blessing to the Sunday-school and church of Ahwa, and through them may the truth be spread through all of the Dangs.

CHINA NOTES

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Marie Brubaker

We observed the "world-wide prayer week" in January. Prayer meetings were held three afternoons with a fairly good attendance. Many people, such as the Jews, Russians, and Chinese were remembered in prayer. Chinese chaotic conditions were foremost in our minds.

Our evangelists are busy out in the tent work and with village preaching. Several returned to the station this past week to meet in some special sessions.

Bro. Oberholtzer, Dr. Wang, Mr. Li, and Mr. Tsai have gone to Ping Ting to help in some committee work for the New Year's program of the mission.

Our friends and neighbors are all preparing for the Chinese New Year's festivities, which will begin Feb. 2. At this time the people worship the gods, those of heaven and earth, and household gods. Paper gods are burned and new ones are put up. This is also the time of worship of the ancestors.

In preparation for this time we met three afternoons last week to talk over things that Christians should and should not do. We especially tried to help our young people who are going home for the New Year's vacation. They have many temptations to return to heathen customs at this time. We also prayed that our older Christians may stand firmly for their Christian convictions.

This month, while the snow covers mother earth and the thermometer stands below zero, it is not very easy for women to go to the villages to teach, so we are taking advantage of this time to give them some inspiration for their spring work. Besides Bible classes they are having classes on how to teach and preach so as to win souls directly for Christ.

Shou Yang

January opened with the women's school moving along nicely. The middle of the month we closed for the Chinese New Year season. This will give the women five weeks in which to "pass over" the New Year as they say. There is not much choice about the vacation; either we grant it or they just take it.

It is most gratifying to see how well the women passed the examinations. To show that these few months in school have really made an impression, one of the pupils now prays each night before she goes to bed, and also each time before she eats.

During the month the two evangelists have been putting intensive effort in the city and suburbs of Shou Yang.

Ping Ting

Word was received early in the month that our good Brethren Yoder and Bonsack had safely reached Shanghai and were on their way to India. Bro. Byron Flory, who accompanied them to the coast, reported a very strenuous trip and one with many hardships endured because of the conditions now existing with the railroads. We were sorry for the great inconvenience they were put to, but we are thankful to our heavenly Father for their safe arrival at the coast in these troubled times in China.

The Foreign Field Committee, the Chinese Church's Executive Committee, and several other committees met here this month to discuss plans and work for the year. It is always a pleasure to have our brethren from other stations with us. Mr. Scofield, of Tai Yuan Y. M. C. A., was also a guest this month at the home of the Brubakers.

Sister Grace Clapper has returned from Peking, where she received medical treatment. We are hoping that she may be made strong physically, so that she may remain on the mission field. All of the Peking doctors have advised that she return at once to the homeland, but Grace longs to live her life in China, and we are praying that she may be made well, so that she can take up her work among the young girlhood of China. May she have your prayers also.

The Vanimans have booked sailings on the steamship President Jefferson, that sails from Kobe March 7. They are busy packing and making plans to return to the homeland. Bro. Brubaker has taken over the treasurer's books since the Vanimans have found it necessary to leave early on sick furlough. It is our hope that Sister Vaniman will be restored to health in America.

The Workers' Corner

The editor invites helpful contributions for this department of the Visitor

MISSIONARY NEWS

Telegrams for Prayer Material. The World Day of Prayer for Missions was well observed by the women of our Brotherhood. Never before have we received so many requests for prayer material. The telegraph wires were kept busy. Just as the supply of prayer leaflets was exhausted the orders grew more numerous. One day a telegram from Alberta, Canada, came and was soon followed by another from Pennsylvania, asking prayer material. Our church believes in the power of prayer and is willing to spend time and money that intercession for the building of the kingdom may be made.

"In Sunny Nigeria" Has Large Sale. Bro. Helser's book, "In Sunny Nigeria," has had a large sale in our church. More than 3,200 copies have been sold in our church. Besides this, Fleming H. Revell Co. has sold a considerable number to people not members of the Church of the Brethren. This speaks well for Bro. Helser's ability to write interestingly, and also for the concern the church has in Afrcia as a new mission field.

Cable from Africa, Feb. 22: "Two new Yola stations opened. Mission strongly urges visit by president of the General Mission Board. Workers urgently required. William Beahm, Secretary of the Africa Mission." The mission family is rejoicing because of this good news regarding the new stations. Our work has been hemmed in for lack of privilege to open new stations. As yet we do not know the exact location of these new stations. Dr. Homer L. Burke, who is in America on furlough, thinks one of the stations is located at Marghi, near the French border. This is east of our Garkidda station. The second new station may be at Gardemna, about fifteen miles west of Garkidda. In April we shall have more complete information.

Des Moines (Iowa) Africa Study. The B. Y. P. D. of Des Moines, Iowa, which is making a study of Africa, had Mr. S. Joe Brown, a colored attorney, for an address on race relations, March 27. The Des Moines young people feel that this has helped them to form a connecting link between their Africa Mission Study and their relations with negroes right in Des Moines.

Mrs. A. W. Ross of North Manchester came to Chicago the first week of March for medical attention. Her friends at Bethany were glad to have her among them.

Miss Verna Blickenstaff has been spending a part of her furlough by taking a graduate course this winter at the Battle Creek Sanitarium and Hospital.

Many Home Volunteers will be glad to learn that Bethany is now offering a religious educational course for two years above college work, giving the degree of master of religious education. With a balanced course in Bible study and professional training, one can thus be fitted for leadership in religious education. Opportunities are increasing for specialized workers in this field, such as, directors of religious education in the larger churches, or among a group of coöperating churches, teachers of week-day church schools, as well as teachers for Sunday-schools and Daily Vacation Bible Schools.

The Missionary Picture Leaflets. "The illustrated leaflets were worth waiting for. I count this, your latest move, as the most effective educational work your Board has done. Such efforts ought to do a great deal of damage to Old Castle Indifference." Thus writes W. G. Nyce, Pottstown, Pa., regarding the missionary Picture Leaflets issued every two months for free distribution to every member of the church during 1927.

Every missionary committee has been written to and offered these leaflets in any quantity needed, so that every member of the church may receive one. They are in-

tended for all Sunday-school pupils. Address orders to General Mission Board, Educational Dept., Elgin, Ill.

CORRESPONDENCE

Auburn, Ill.,
2-23-'27.

Dear Coworkers:

Since our church did not lift an offering on last Sunday, Feb. 20, as requested by our Mission Board, I am sending you one dollar for that deficit fund.

I only wish I could send more. I do not know why our church did not take it up. I went prepared to give, but was disappointed.

Yours for service,
Mrs. R. E. Young.

(Editor's note. This letter is typical of many received this spring. May it not be possible that ministers are not giving ample opportunity to the members to give their offerings through the congregational channel? The Board prefers that the congregations, rather than the Board, bear the responsibility of challenging the members for their missionary money.)

A Letter from India

"We have been out with our tent most of the time since last November. This makes our seventh camp. We have been so pleased with the reception the headmen of the villages have given us. The people will sit and listen to the Christ story for hours. Only a few years ago this could not be done. Last year we came to this place for the first time. In some places the women ran from us, they were so frightened. We had to win our way. This year these same people come to our tent and talk to us. Our meetings for women and children are well attended, the highest number being two hundred, the lowest 140. At night also good crowds come to hear the gospel story. We praise the Father for all this. We are always glad for your prayers and messages of cheer. It means so much to be remembered."

(Taken from Wagoner's letter of Jan. 21, 1927, at Gumbi Camp, Bulsar, India.)

General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill.
Dear Friend and Brother:

Enclosed is cashier's check for $17 for the China Mission work, which was the special mission work for the children last year. The kiddies of the Belleville church worked very hard, but because of the dry weather their mission gardens burned up with the rest of the vegetation. But we hope our mite of $17 may be used to help advance the Lord's work among the children of China.

May success be yours during the year 1927.

Belleville, Kans. Jessie O. Ball.

BOOK REVIEWS

The Christ of the Indian Road, by E. Stanley Jones. The Abingdon Press; price, $1.

After a long and fruitful experience as pastor, manager of publishing house, missionary to the villages, district superintendent and lecturer, Dr. Jones is able to give some very definite convictions concerning the attitude of India toward Christianity. Dr. Jones says, "Christian missions have come to a crisis in India." In this book he has let non-Christians themselves largely tell the story of the silent revolution in thought that is taking place in India. "If it is overdrawn, they have overdrawn it." This revolution has confronted us with a new and challenging situation.

We have not only failed in the eyes of missionaries, but in the eyes of educated people of India. We have not found the right method in mission work. Dr. Jones gives the following incident: "One day one of the leading government officials, a Hindu, remarked, 'How long has this mission been in this city?' I told him about fifty years. He asked very pointedly, 'Then why have you gone only to the low castes? Why haven't you come to us?' I replied that I supposed it was because we thought they did not want us. He replied, 'It is a mistake. We want you if you will come in **the right way.**'" The finding of the right way has been a life task for Dr. Jones. The last several years he has been working among the educated high castes.

India does not want our western civilization. She wants **Christ.** She needs the practical mysticism that Jesus brings to bear upon the problems of life. This WHOM rather than the What of the Christian religion is the keynote to the message for India. She is receiving this message at the hand of a most effective leader of untiring effort. His Christ-filled life can be read in every page of this little volume.

Pastors, teachers, pupils and others interested in the work of Christ will find this

little book helpful and inspirational in following this Christ, who is both the Christ of the Indian and the American Road.

Ruth Holderread.

The Church and Missions, by Dr. Robert E. Speer. Doran; price, $1.75.

Dr. Speer is an authority on missions. If there is anyone living capable of registering the pulse of present-day mission conditions, surely it would be Dr. Speer. This most recent of his publications is historical and prophetic in character. It begins with the universal note in Christ's own recorded teachings, traces the unfolding of his missionary concept through the centuries, shows the prominence of the social ideals in the work of the founders of modern missions, outlines recent demands of foreign missions on home churches, and presents the new demands on the mission fields, as created by new world conditions. It closes with a statement of the rich fruitage of foreign missions; in material services, in humanitarian enterprises, in character development through contact with Christ and the Christian concept of God.

The primary aim of foreign missions is summed up in this concise statement: "The supreme and controlling aim of foreign missions is to make the Lord Jesus Christ known to all men as their Divine Savior and to persuade them to become his disciples; to gather these disciples into Christian churches which shall be self-propagating, self-supporting, and self-governing; to cooperate, so long as necessary, with these churches in the evangelizing of their countrymen, and in bringing to bear on all human life the spirit and principles of Christ."

Harper S. Will.

The Christian Mission in Africa, by Edwin W. Smith. International Missionary Council, $1.25.

"The Christian Mission in Africa," by Edwin W. Smith, is a study of Africa in its relation to Christianity, based on the International Conference at Le Zoute, Belgium, Sept. 14 to 21, 1926. Saturated with the speeches, discussions, and resolutions of this great conference, Mr. Smith has given the gist of their information and the spirit of their inspiration in his own scholarly and enthusiastic manner.

The book receives its title from that of the conference, a title which has special significance. It is not "Christian Missions in Africa," but "**The Christian Mission** in Africa." Not only professional missionaries, but Christian people as a whole, have a part to play in the bringing of the abundant life to Africa. "Physical well-being, culture of the mind and soul, good government, righteous laws, justice between man and man—everything that has to do with men and women comes within the ambit of the Christian mission."

The contrast between the dark Africa of Livingstone's day and the new Africa of today, open and ruled over to within 350,000 square miles by the various European powers, is strikingly shown. This new Africa brings with it new problems for the present-day missionary. "Missionary work in Africa must be done against a threefold front: the **rude paganism** of the passing age, the **Islam,** which is a most active competitor over large parts of the continent, and the **modern civilization** which is transforming almost every phase of native life." The task of making over this great continent, three times the size of Europe, is a human problem, and therefore the concern of all followers of the Son of Man—hence, the Le Zoute Conference.

The best methods of preaching the Gospel to the various types of folks to be found in Africa; the overwhelming importance of the church in this continent; the need for education carried on coöperatively by governments, missions, Africans, and the non-official European community, which will develop Christlike characters; the fact that the hope of Africa, from the standpoint of health and hygiene, lies in the little mission schools; and the needs of the Africans with regard to land and labor—all these and many other facts are clearly shown.

In order to meet these issues in an effective manner, there must be true coöperation, the chief four conditions of which are: a clearer consciousness of our unity, humility, comprehension—the understanding of the other man's point of view and respect.

The final message of the Le Zoute Conference to the Christian church is found in these words: "Nothing is adequate to the situation which the Christian church has to

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THE COST

It takes great strength to bring your life
up square
With your accepted thought, and keep it
there;
Resisting the inertia that drags back
From new attempts to the old habit's track.
It is easy to drift back, to sink;
So hard to live abreast of what you think.

It takes great strength to live where you
belong
When other people think that you are
wrong,
People you love and who love you; and
whose
Approval is a pleasure; you would choose
To resist that pressure, and succeed at length
In living your belief. Well, it takes strength
And courage, too, but what does courage
mean
Save strength to face a pain foreseen?

Courage to undertake the lifelong strain
Of setting yours against your grandsire's
brain,
Dangerous risk of walking lone and free
Out of the easy paths that used to be.
And the fierce pain of hurting those we love,
When love meets truth, and truth must rise
above.

It takes great love to serve the human heart,
To do for others our privileged part.
A love that is not shallow is not small;
Not meant for one or two, but for them all.
A love that can wound love for its deepest
need,
A love that can lose love though the heart
may bleed;
A love that can leave love, family and friend,
And steadfastly live, loving to the end;
A love that asks no answer—that can live
Moved by one deathless, burning impulse—
to give.

—Margaret Stetson.

(Selected from Student Volunteer Bulletin, Oct., 1926.)

A CALL TO VOLUNTEERS

Mrs. J. W. Lear

In our college halls, as the years have flown,
Brave hearts have wrestled with tasks to
be done;
The challenge had come for full sacrifice,
Then pledges were signed—they would pay
the price.

They went out in teams their message to
carry,
They felt the Lord's word no longer could
tarry;
They aimed to be true, their ardor ran high;
Commencement day came with great goals
to try.

Some years have rolled by; we stand all
aghast,
To find where some Volunteers landed at
last;
Some busy in offices, some in the shops,
Teaching are some, and some raising crops.

Do they give of their means in gospel meas-
ure,
Or spend their gold in a mad rush for
pleasure?
While Christ's plan breaks down at an awful
cost,
And millions of earth stumble on to be lost.

How grievous when those whose vows have
been broken
Shall meet the great Judge and see as a
token
The many lost souls turned out to despair
Who might have been saved by Volunteers'
care!

Let those on the farm, in schoolroom or shop
Give freely their best in time, talent or crop.
For God hath so loved us, each one to re-
deem,
He offered his Son, as our Savior supreme.

And now he broods over this poor needy
world—
In all climes his banner be quickly unfurled!
Hail, hail, faithful comrades, gone forth in
the fray,
You'll hear his "Well done!" on some glori-
ous day.

Oh, come, let us rally our Volunteer band!
Send out a great clarion over the land,
Come, freshen your vows, the harvest's so
white;
Be heroes, our brothers, we'll yet win the
fight!

THOUGHTS

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One Sunday Mr. J—— read of a church dance and denounced it very heartily. I asked him if he attended church. He answered that he could be just as good without going to church and was a good deal better than most church members. If he could see any advantage he would be glad to belong to a church. Although he liked to attend once in a while, there were too many members whose religion was only a Sunday affair for Christianity to interest him. Of course we know the fallacy in his argument, but, nevertheless, he gave a challenge to every one of us. He had never seen God in the lives of his Christian friends.

The Women's Department

Conducted by Nora M. Rhodes

Organizing the Women's Work

MRS. M. J. WEAVER
Vice-President General Aid Society

I AM wondering if the women who read this page wouldn't enjoy a question box occasionally. Would you like an opportunity to ask some of your questions and have them answered by those who have given thought to the same problem or have worked it out in their own experience?

There are several questions I would like to ask, and I would be glad to have the reaction and best thought of the women of our church all over the Brotherhood on them. Perhaps this page would be a good medium of exchange.

I believe the women of the church are awakening to their opportunities, as they have never seen them before. Our Aid Society reports show a splendid increase in this work from year to year, both in membership and finances. This is as it should be, and I presume that most of us have not as yet "stretched our tugs."

The Mothers and Daughters' organization is beginning to occupy in a larger way a needy field in the life and thought and work along this line. Some Districts are making a special effort to effect such an organization in all the local churches.

Then in a number of our congregations the women are feeling the need of a larger fellowship in the interest of missions, and to answer this need they are organizing Women's Missionary Societies. On this page we have had reports from a few such societies. Personally, I would be glad to hear from more of them.

In some congregations there is a desire for a unifying and coördinating of all these vital activities under one general organization, so that none of them shall be lost because of a superabundance of machinery, but rather that all of them shall be fostered and promoted. Some few congregations are so organized. I know of one church in which the women are organized under the general name of Women's Work Society, with a superintendent and secretary heading the whole organization. Then they have the departments such as the Sisters' Aid Society, the Dorcas Circle, the Missionary Society and Mothers and Daughters' Society. Each of these departments has its own organization, but all are under the supervision of the general organization. I also know of another congregation in which the women's work is all headed up in a Women's Council, which gives general supervision to every department of the women's work.

How does such an organization appeal to you? Perhaps the Brotherhood is soon coming to the time when we need some general organization which embraces all departments of women's work. Or shall we go along organizing these various activities independently, or would the Great Head of the church be pleased to have us appoint a commission of women, who in conjunction with the Council of Promotion, would study the whole question and bring us a unified program of women's work, including all our needs?

Organization of Women's Church and Missionary Society

Wednesday evening, Jan. 12, a business meeting of the women of the church at Lewistown, Pa., was held, at which time the officers for The Women's Church and Missionary Society for 1927 were elected. The result of the election was as follows: President, Ida M. Fisher; vice-president, Mrs. Ruth Aurand; secretary, Jennie Beaver; treasurer, Martha Heckert.

The constitution was adopted at this meeting. It was decided to have quarterly meetings; any special meetings to be called by the president.

The aim of the society is to help bring the women of the church into closer fellowship and to aid in promoting more interest in missions in our own church; also to coöperate with the Women's Missionary Federation of our city.

Important Lines in Missionary Education

Whatever may be the plans and methods used, three general phases in missionary education will predominate: 1. Informing the church as to human life and its needs, and the church and its work everywhere. 2. Teaching the membership about the people of the world, that a spirit of sympathetic brotherhood may develop which will undergird the missionary enterprise with prayer, money and life. 3. Applying the energies of the church in definite Christian service. Information awakens interest; instruction directs this interest toward missionary activity. Christian service is the expressional side of the educational program, without which education fails in its purpose.

Real knowledge of mission fields and of the missionary enterprise is essential to intelligent coöperation in the work of the church at home and abroad. Missionary study for women should be carefully planned and thoroughly conducted. Such work may be carried forward through the agency of the Woman's Missionary Society. How thankful we are for the women who have already sensed the need and have this organization!

Missionary Publicity

Publicity is one of the greatest assets of any organization, missionary societies included. If you have had a program for some special offering or celebration, and it has proved successful, let others have the benefit of your inspiration. By sharing your gifts of brain and heart, your own supply is wonderfully increased. By sharing your interest and enthusiasm in the cause of missions, your own supply becomes more firmly fixed. Your aims and purposes have a deeper meaning from your having given expression to them.

The church bulletin and the daily papers are avenues of publicity. Invitations and posters for special occasions are a most successful method and are often a means of enlisting the talent of some one seemingly uninterested. One never knows when the spark of interest may be kindled. The Women's Department of your missionary magazine is glad to publish various features of women's activities.

The Record of the Resurrection

"He is not here, but is risen: remember how he spake unto you when he was yet in Galilee." "Had Jesus never issued out of Joseph's rocky tomb, that tomb would not simply have been the grave of Jesus, but it would also have been the grave of his religion. The resurrection of Christ is the pledge of the resurrection of all who believe in him. The record of the resurrection brings a glowing assurance into the hearts of Christians. It carries the conviction that Christ lives, and that his words are true that his followers shall be with him. Christ has made of death a narrow, starlit strip between the companionship of yesterday and the reunion of tomorrow. This single sentence is worthy of a place in every memory, and is full of comfort for those who have loved and lost."

The Bridge Over Death

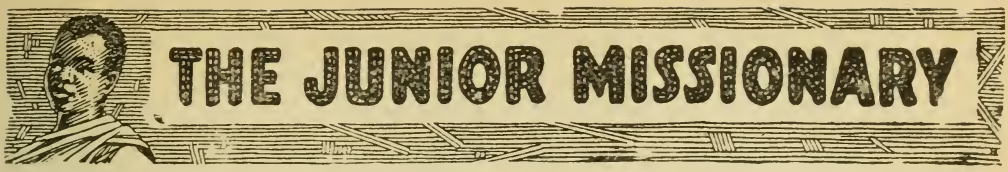
In a Scottish valley, beside a little brook where there was no friendly soil, a Highlander once planted a tree. Of course it wilted and drooped. But suddenly, to the surprise of everyone, it took a new start in life and bore rich fruit. What was the source of its new life? With marvelous vegetable instinct it had sent out a shoot which ran along and over a narrow sheep bridge, and rooted itself in rich loam on the other side of the brook. From this rich loam it drew its life. Even so the resurrection of Christ bridges the river of death that flows between earth and heaven, and the souls of men who know this send out the shoot of faith which, running over the bridge, roots itself in the eternal realities beyond, and draws spiritual life from the very fulness of God.—David Gregg, D. D.

THE CHRISTIAN MISSION IN AFRICA

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face in Africa except a new birth. . . . If there is to be a rebirth of the missionary movement, it will mean a rebirth of the life of prayer."

Naomi L. Royer.



Conducted by Aunt Adalyn



Junior Leaguers of Bethel Congregation, Nebraska

They earned $61.45 during the summer of 1926, though it was a very dry year and nearly a failure in the matter of crops. Picture sent by Paul S. Longenecker, pastor at Carleton.

THE GOSPEL CARRIED TO LIAO CHOU

In the beginning of 1926, the children of the Brotherhood were asked to engage in work which would help them earn money to carry the Gospel to Liao Chou. It was thought that the work would cost about $7,860. But the missionaries have been able to economize in the work and the total cost amounts to $5,736.27. The children have contributed up to March 1, the sum of $8,361.54. The extra money is carried over into 1927 and will be used to continue carrying the Gospel to Liao Chou.

The money that was spent on the field was used in the following ways:

Rent	Mex. $ 138.98
Repairs	586.16
Boys' School	3,202.90
Girls' School	2,058.70
Men's Evangelistic	2,248.34
Medical	2,790.00
Language Teacher	221.00
Chinese Buyer	96.00
Miscellaneous	130.46
Total	$11,472.54

These figures of the itemized expenses are given in Mexican dollars. This is the name of the Chinese dollar. One Mexican dollar is worth fifty cents in American money. So the amount of American money spent would be just half of the number of Mexican dollars.

We do not know the total number of baptisms, but the children should watch the June Missionary Visitor for in it there will appear a report of the Liao Chou work. The school children at Liao Chou in appreciation for what the American children have done, made Chinese flags which were shipped to the mission rooms at Elgin and from here they have been sent out to every Junior leader for distribution to the children who worked.

The new project for 1927 is called, "Our Black Brothers." The children are asked to contribute all the money necessary for the Africa mission, exclusive of missionary supports and building program. While the responses from the children seemed good in 1926, yet less than two hundred churches took part. We have a thousand congregations and wonderful work could be done if all would participate.

LOUISVILLE, OHIO

Center Sunday-school, of Northeastern Ohio, sent $61.00 for Liao Chou, China, proceeds from twenty-six quarters which the



Some Marylanders Who Worked for the Liao-Chow-ers

children had invested. The amount was raised through the medium of chickens, potatoes, pickles, mangoes, beets, tomatoes, corn, picking berries, washing dishes, running errands, etc. Sunday afternoon, Nov. 21, 1926, the children brought their earnings in envelopes, and after singing "Little Givers," deposited their offering and told how they had earned the same. This was followed by an address by a returned missionary.

Mrs. Savilla Taylor,
703 S. Chapel St. Mission Secretary.

LONE STAR, KANSAS

Enclosed find check for $13.40 from the primary department of the Washington Creek Sunday-school for the Liao Chou mission work. We were not organized till the last quarter of 1926, and then it was too late to raise produce or chickens. So we adopted the plan of selling Scripture text calendars, and the boys and girls went to work with a will. We are planning to do better work during 1927 for Africa.

Mrs. Clyde I. Seitz,
Department Superintendent.

It is splendid to have a cause to live for as well as to die for. The most pitiful life is the aimless life.



Bobby Murray, with Billy, His Bantam Rooster

Bobby says he is going to raise a lot of bantams for mission money when he gets bigger. Picture sent by his mother, who is the wife of the pastor of Ft. McKinley church, Dayton, Ohio, Rev. D. R. Murray.

BY THE EVENING LAMP

Dear Aunt Adalyn: I have been reading the letters for a long time. I think the Juniors have gone on a strike, so I will help them out. We live in the oldest city of Tennessee, and the inn where Andrew Jackson stayed is still standing. He made a speech on the porch while running for president. The Brethren church stands now where Col. Jackson's house stood. The oak trees are still there. I hope a lot of the Juniors will write to me. Lynn Clark.
West Main St., Jonesboro, Tenn.

That makes the study of history easy and interesting, doesn't it? You can take your book right to the spot, and write additional notes on the margin, that even the historian didn't know about, maybe!

Dear Aunt Adalyn: I am writing to thank you for the game "Livingstone" which I received a few weeks ago. I have enjoyed playing it ever since. Played my first game the night after I got it. You ask what I was going to do with the other nine-tenths. We had the misfortune of getting our home burned down in 1925, so I gave it to my father to help replace our home. I sure do thank you for the prize—the game.
Wirtz, Va. Margaret Flora.

What an unlucky burning! How did it happen? Were any of you in danger? How is the new home coming on?

Dear Aunt Adalyn: We sure enjoy the game and thank you very much for sending it. Earl and I are twins. We made the boxes together. We took the game to the church and explained about it. Some of the Sunday-school members would like to know if they could buy a few games. We are thirteen years old. We would like to know if we could get a job building bird-houses at a per cent and give the rest to the Mission Board. Could you help us get orders?

Earl and Ernest Ikenberry.
819 N. Poplar St., Ottawa, Kans.

Oh, yes, any one can buy the game "Livingstone." Just send sixty cents to the Brethren Publishing House, Elgin, Ill. Our readers will take note of your desire, and maybe you will hear from some of them about your bird-houses.

Dear Aunt Adalyn: This is my second letter. I am eleven years old. My birthday is Feb. 26. I joined the church last summer. There were five others joined when I did. Mrs. Haney is my Sunday-school teacher. Rev. Haney is our pastor. Forest Robeson is our public school teacher. I am in the seventh grade. I expect to pass out this spring. Oh, yes! ever since last spring we were earning missionary money. Altogether we earned $23.56. On Dec. 19 we had a Christmas and missionary program combined. We gave our money for Liao Chou, China. We were very willing to do this. I have two brothers and one sister. I wish some of the Junior girls would write to me. I surely would be glad to answer. Mary Merrill.
Lonaconing, Md., R. 1, Box 18.

One can generally do good work when he likes his teachers. We are expecting big things from you this season for the Africa mission. The answer to your puzzle has already been printed in Our Boys and Girls.

Dear Aunt Adalyn: May I enter your circle? I have never written before, but I enjoy reading your letters from the Juniors. I am fourteen years old and in the eighth grade. My daddy is my teacher. Our pastor and wife, Rev. and Mrs. D. R. Murray, teach the Bible all day on Monday at school. Our Sunday-school teacher, Mrs. Eikenberry, helped us organize. Our class name is "Truth Seekers," which I think is a very good name for us. All in our class belong to the Church of the Brethren except one. I like to go to Sunday-school very much. I missed only one Sunday last year. I wish some of the Juniors would write to me.
Dayton, Ohio, R. 13. Mildred M. Etter.

Your penmanship and punctuation are very neat indeed, Mildred. Have this chair by the hearth.

Dear Aunt Adalyn: May I join your circle? I will be thirteen years old in June. I am in seventh grade at the public school. I belong to the Brethren church, and often read the Junior Missionary. I have four sisters and three brothers, and also a very good friend who goes to Pine View school. Her name is Belva Buck. I would like to have some girls write to me. Ruth Hunt.
Franklin Grove, Ill.

Our circle is very elastic. We can always stretch it to let in one more. Bring your friends along.

Dear Aunt Adalyn: I am eleven years old and in the sixth grade. I belong to the church. My father is a minister, and also my oldest brother, who goes to Bridgewater College. I have three brothers and one little sister three years old. My Grandfather Ikenberry died a year ago last October, and my grandmother lives with us. We go to the Brick church. We have a Junior League organized, and I enjoy it very much. My teacher is Mrs. Ollie Ikenberry. Kathryn Peters.
Wirtz, Va.

What is your minister-brother's first name? I should think some of the girls would be glad to write to you.

Dear Aunt Adalyn: I am nine years old. I go to the Hartville school and am in the fourth grade. In my studies I like reading and English. I go to the Brethren church, but am not a member yet. I am in the Junior class. Our name is the "Sunbeam" class. I have one sister and three brothers all older than I am. I live in town.
Hartville, Ohio, Box 66. Betty Kinsley..

"Sunbeam" is a bright name. Wouldn't it be wonderful if the members of your class would go around with faces looking like Moses—all shiny—because he had been so close to God up in the mountain?

Dear Aunt Adalyn: I go to Weston mountain school. I'm in the fifth grade. In my school studies I like hygiene and spelling best. My sister, thirteen, is in the eighth grade, and my brother is in the second. I am ten years old. I live on a farm. There are thirteen in our Junior class at Sunday-school. My mama is my teacher. I haven't missed a Sunday for a year, and when I did I was sick.
Weston, Oregon. Lois Tucker.

It seems to be fashionable not to miss Sunday-school. That is one thing in which it is fine to be in style!

Dear Aunt Adalyn: I am eleven years old and in the sixth grade. I am the youngest of the family—one sister and two brothers. We all belong to the church. We had a nice trip from Idaho to Kansas. We went over the Rocky Mountains, and came through Wyoming and Colorado. We stopped at Denver and saw the animals in the park. We especially enjoyed seeing the bears eat peanuts. My grandma is here visiting. She is from Minnesota, and will soon go back. My oldest brother is going to McPherson College, and I expect to go too. Soon as I get through college I want to study and go to China as a missionary. Lolamae Beckwith.
Conway, Kans., R. 2.

You have laid out a fine program, and I hope you will have health of body and mind to carry out your plans. I have heard that Wyoming is a very monotonous country. Did you see anything interesting there?

NUTS TO CRACK

Dissected Word

I am composed of seventeen letters.
My 7, 5, 6, 4, is to take care of.
My 4, 3, 1, 2, is powdered soil.
My 10, 9, 8, 14, is a strong affection.
My 13, 11, 12, 15, is a melody.
My 16, 15, 17, 13, is repose.
My 1, 2, 16, 14, 5, 7, is a road through a city.
My 8, 5, 6, 7, is a small aperture.
My 10, 9, 11, 17, 14, is a disagreeable insect.
My 2, 16, 3, 1, 13, is to have faith in.
My 17, 7, 14, 5, 16, is to guide.
My 13, 11, 12, 6, 5, 10, is an underground passageway.
My 4, 16, 9, 8, 15, is a collection of cattle.
My whole is an enthusiastic organization which furnishes most of our missionaries.

Cities Where Foreign Missionaries Are Working

1. Lank saver.
2. U coo hail.
3. All or Jap.
4. O gay Huns.
5. A dark dig.
6. Lag harp.
7. Al maul.
8. A aunty I.

(Answers next month)

MARCH NUTS CRACKED

The First Names of Our Africa Missionaries.—1. William. 2. Esther. 3. Earl. 4. Ella. 5. Paul. 6. Verda. 7. Clara. 8. Clarence. 9. Lucile. 10. Albert. 11. Lola. 12. Stover. 13. Floyd. 14. Ruth. 15. Homer. 16. Marguerite. 17. Sara.

Missionary Vegetables.—1. Turnips. 2. Potatoes. 3. Carrots. 4. Tomatoes. 5. Onions. 6. Lima beans. 7. Cucumbers. 8. Radishes.

THINGS EVERY BOY SHOULD KNOW

Every boy should know where to find:
The Lord's Prayer (Matthew 6).
The Ten Commandments (Exodus 20).
The Beatitudes (Matthew 5).
Paul's conversion (Acts 9).
Christ's Great Prayer (John 17).
Abiding chapter (John 15).
Resurrection chapter (1 Corinthians 15).
Shepherd chapter (John 10).
Love chapter (1 Corinthians 13).
Tongue chapter (James 3).
Armor chapter (Ephesians 6).
Travelers' Psalm (Psalm 121).
Bible study (Psalm 119).
Greatest verse (John 3: 16).
Greatest initiation (Revelation 17; Isa. 55:1).
Rest verse (Matt. 11: 28).
Consecration verse (Romans 12: 1).
Workers' verse (2 Timothy 2: 15).
Another workers' verse (Psalm 126: 6).
Teachers' verse (Daniel 12: 3).
Great Commission (Mark 1 : 15).
Christ's last command (Acts 1: 8).

—The Kansas Messenger.

Correction—The Junior League work reported by Ernest B. Craun in the February (1927) Visitor should have been credited to the Summit congregation instead of Weyers Cave.

The Black Tents: A Junior Play of Life Among Bedouins in Syria, by Florence Crannell Means, 15 pp. Friendship Press, New York, 1926. Price, 25 cents.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Conference Offering, 1926. As of February 28, 1927, the Conference (Budget) offering for the year ending February 28, 1927, stands as follows:
Cash received since March 1, 1926 .....$279,152.91

(The 1926 Budget of $382,775.00 is 72.9% raised, whereas it should be 100%)

Mission Board Treasury Statement. The following shows the condition of mission finances on February 28, 1927:

Income since March 1, 1926,	$315,180.40
Income same period last year,	318,222.02
Expense since March 1, 1926,	313,948.83
Expense same period last year,	305,949.12
Mission deficit February 28, 1927,	8,884.61
Mission deficit January 31, 1927,	4,723.94
Increase in deficit for February, 1927,	4,160.67

Tract Distribution: During the month of January the Board sent out 638 doctrinal tracts.

Correction No. 15: See March, 1927, Visitor—under Junior League 1926. Credit of $40.10 to Pleasant View, No. Va., should instead be to First Va.

January Receipts: The following contributions for the various funds were received during January:

WORLD-WIDE MISSIONS

Arizona—$13.29
S. S.: Glendale, ...$ 13.29

Arkansas—$2.00
N. W. Dist., Indv.: Mrs. Mary J. Babb & Daughter, ... 2.00

California—$505.71
No. Dist., Cong.: Reedley, $17.68; Raisin City, $24.82; McFarland, $37.94; S. S.: Live Oak, $5.41; Elk Creek, $3.25; Figarden, $54.98; Oakland, $52.02, ... 196.10
So. Dist., Cong.: Pomona, $17; E. San Diego, $26.65; Covina, $120.15; Long Beach, $25; Inglewood, $10.46; Glendora, $87.85; J. M. Wyne (Santa Ana) $10; Sarah Gnagey (Pasadena) $10; S. S.: Hermosa Beach, $2.50, ... 309.61

Canada—$61.50
Cong.: Bow Valley, $56; J. H. Brubaker (M. N.) (Bow Valley) $.50; S. S.: "The Stars" Class (1st Irricana) $5, ... 61.50

Colorado—$131.41
E. Dist., Cong.: Antioch, $22.50; Miami, $31.20; S. S.: Denver, $15, ... 68.70
W. Dist., Cong.: 1st. Grand Valley, ... 62.71

Florida—$12.39
S. S.: Sebring, $10.39; Indv.: Mrs. H. Etta Hoke, $2, ... 12.39

Hawaii—$1.00
Indv.: Earl W. Roop, ... 1.00

Idaho—$22.50
Cong.: Frank J. DeCoursey & Family (Nampa) $20; L. Clanin (Clearwater) $2.50, 22.50

Illinois—$699.52
No. Dist., Cong.: Batavia, $20.88; Chelsea, $22.10; Yellow Creek, $33.06; Lanark, $8.54; West Branch, $29.06; Sterling, $52.86; Mt. Morris, $98.76; C. C. Price, (Polo) $25; Mrs. W. W. Lehman (Dixon) $.90; No. 95186 (Franklin Grove) $25; A Brother & Wife (Mt. Morris) $20; G. G. Canfield (M. N.) (Rockford) $.50; Chas. D. Bonsack (M. N.) (Elgin) $.50; Chas. D. Bonsack & Wife (Elgin) $60; A. H. and Jane Stauffer (Polo) $10; Cecile Downing (1st Chicago) $10; Mrs. Lydia Bricknell (Freeport) $3; S. S.: Freeport, $27.82; Milledgeville, $16.87; Sterling, $5.19; Batavia, $3.97, ... 474.01
So. Dist., Cong.: Virden, $4.20; Girard, $120.91; Romine, $3.56; S. S.: Allison Prairie, $12.08; Astoria, $74.76; Aid Soc.: Woodland, $10, ... 225.51

Indiana—$1,959.85
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Roann, $49.74; Portland, $30; Lower Deer Creek, $4.05; W. Eel River, $1; Flora, $382.67; West Manchester, $134.30; Eel River, $70.99; Plunge Creek Chapel, $9.04; Clear Creek, $26.86; W. C. Stinebaugh (M. N.) (Pipe Creek) $.50; Otho Winger (M. N.) (Manchester) $.50; J. B. Bailey & Wife (Huntington City) $2; S. S.: Ogans Creek, $20.36; Hickory Grove, $141.51; Manchester, $720; Indv.: Elizabeth Christman, $1, ... 1,594.52
No. Dist., Cong.: English Prairie, $26; Baugo, $14.26; Bethany, $21.77; Blue River, $12; New Salem, $52; No. Winona, $26; A Sister of Nappanee, $4.50; No. 95366 (Elkhart) $25; No. 95125 (La Porte) $5; Ethel L. Cripe (W. Goshen) $10; S. S.: Auburn, $6.79; Pine Creek (W. Goshen) $8.91; Oak Grove, $12.90; Indv.: Wm. H. Eiler (M. N.) $.50, ... 225.63
So. Dist., Cong.: Anderson, $19.77; Laura E. Lynch (White) $5.70; S. S.: Mt. Pleasant, $22.32; Grace (Indianapolis) $32.18; Maple Grove, $10; Four Mile, $49.73, ... 139.70

Iowa—$391.68
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Coon River, $20.60; Mrs. C. K. Burkholder (Bagley) $20; A Friend (Dallas Center) $100; Elizabeth Rhodes (Dallas Center) $100; S. S.: Coon River, $36.40; Cedar, $6.28; Central Section of Middle Iowa Churches, $5.95; Eastern Section of Middle Iowa Churches, $5; Indv.: Edwin L. West, $49, ... 343.23
No. Dist., Cong.: Sheldon, $19.45; O. E. Messamer & Wife (Spring Creek) $5; A. M. Sharp & Wife (Spring Creek) $5; Paul Hoff (So. Waterloo) $2, ... 31.45
So. Dist., S. S.: No. English, ... 17.00

Kansas—$953.75
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Washington, $15.84; Calvary (Kans. City) $12; Ottawa, $63.72; Richland Center, $23.25; Morrill, $150; Appanoose, $25.35; W. A. Kinzie (M. N.) (Kansas City) $.50; Mary Weybright (Overbrook) $1.90; C. A. Shank (Abilene) $1; E. B. Shuss (Sabetha) $10; S. S.: Ottawa, $17.22; Wade Branch, $15; Overbrook, $11.25; "Live Wire" Class (Appanoose) $16; Buckeye, $1; C. W. S.: Appanoose, $7, ... 371.03
N. W. Dist., Cong.: No. Solomon, $5.19; Pearl E. Rhine (Quinter) $2.50, ... 7.69
S. E. Dist., Cong.: E. W. Waas (Galesburg) $508; Mrs. Anna Patteson (Independence) $2; In Memory of the Wife and Mother of W. H. and Orlin Sell (Fredonia) $5; S. S.: Galesburg, $30; Indv.: S. C. Gilbert, $10; W. B. Worford & Wife, $2, ... 557.00
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Monitor, $3.55; Ida Frantz Brubaker (W. Wichita) $10; S. S.: Primary Dept. (Monitor) $4.48, ... 18.03

Maryland—$651.60
E. Dist., Cong.: Sams Creek, $25; Wm. E. Roop & Wife (Meadow Branch) $25; S. S.: S. S.'s of Monocacy, $8; Pleasant Hill (Bush Creek) $2.50, ... 60.50
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Brownsville, $9.10; Hagerstown, $500; Broadfording, $20; Earl C. Witter & Wife (Welsh Run) $12; S. S.: "Willing Workers" Class (Pleasant View) $5, ... 546.10
W. Dist., Cong.: Bear Creek, ... 45.00

Michigan—$92.75
Cong.: Vestaburg, $6; Beaverton, $9.40; Battle Creek, $26.24; Elmdale, $21.53; Grand Rapids, $2.35; Zion, $5.03; Woodland Village, $2.81; Harlan, $5; R. J. McRoberts (Thornapple) $1; Sarah Long (Thornapple) $1; S. S.: Sisters' Bible Class (Beaverton) $6; Grand Rapids, $6.39, ... 92.75

Minnesota—$49.83
Cong.: Lewiston, $7.75; Bethel, $15.13; S. S.: Root River, $26.95, ... 49.83

Missouri—$104.52
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Warrensburg, $2.10; Effie Long (Kansas City) $60, ... 62.10
No. Dist., Cong.: No. St. Joseph, $14.50; Pleasant View, $8.87, ... 23.37
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Jasper, $6.55; S. S.: Fairview, $7.50; Indv.: Rebecca Mays, $5, 19.05

Nebraska—$41.04
Cong.: Octavia, $2; Falls City, $5; Afton, $7; Enders, $7.42; A Helper (Silver Lake) $10; S. S.: Lincoln, $5.56; Enders, $3.06; Aid Soc., Enders, $1, ... 41.04

New Mexico—$39.04
S. S.: Clovis, ... 39.04

North Dakota—$71.51
Cong.: Minot, $14.77; S. S.: Survey, $30; Cando, $13.54; Kenmare, $10; S. S.: Egeland, $3.20, ... 71.51

Ohio—$1,584.51
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Zion Hill, $76.50; Reading, $27.25; Springfield, $52.75; Canton Center, $16; Black River, $70; Danville, $117.74; No. 95627 (Mohican) $25; Etta S. Helman (Richland) $2; Mrs. Sarah A. Dupler (Olivet) $5; S. S.: Owl Creek, $4.78; Springfield, $21.81; Canton Center, $33.96; Baltic, $60; Beech Grove, (Chippewa) $62.55, ... 575.34
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Dupont, $3.30; Defiance, $38.65; Three families of Greenspring, $40; S. S.: Sugar Creek, $20.10; Indv.: No. 95494, $60, ... 162.05
So. Dist., Cong.: $97; Painter Creek, $59.44; West Branch, $3.64; W. Alexandria, $24.07; Union City, $14.60; Ft. McKinley, $41.50; Cincinnati, $32.78; Bear Creek, $31.46; Salem, $59.42; S. S.: Ft. McKinley, $7.79; Harris Creek, $4.70; Happy Corner (Lower Stillwater) $74.83; Greenville, $3.52; Pitsburg, $18.61; Poplar Grove, $36.64; Bethel (Salem) $337.62; Indv.: Catherine Beath, $2; Levi Stoner, $7.50, ... 847.12

Oklahoma—$10.00
Cong.: Washita, ... 10.00

Oregon—$92.84
Cong.: Portland, $6.68; Bandon, $11; Myrtle Point, $27.14; Bro. Wisecarver (Grants Pass) $2; S. S.: Ashland, $16.01; Grants Pass, $30, 92.84

Pennsylvania—$6,523.27
E. Dist., Cong.: Mechanic Grove, $3; Elizabethtown, $1,449.64; E. Petersburg, $43.22; Mingo, $100.85; Ridgely, $17.11; Unknown donor of Elizabethtown, $2; D. E. Fox (Harrisburg) $50; Simon P. Shirk (Ephrata) $10; Manor (Mountville) $40; S. S.: Mountville, $11.94; Richland, $57.10; E. Petersburg, $11.38; Myerstown, $20; E. Fairview, $25.50; Reading, $128.81; S. S.: Mingo, $60; Mechanic Grove, $76.77; Indian Creek, $50.53; Heidleberg, $20.18; Hatfield, $118.06; Harrisburg, $35; Young Women's Class (W. Conestoga) $5; Conewago, $11.12; Earlville (Conestoga) $77.46; "Gleaners" Class (Akron) $5; Hummelstown (Spring Creek) $18.74; Spring Creek, $6.95; Kemper's (Spring Grove) $30; Manheim (White Oak) $58; Indv.: A Sister $10, ... 2,553.36
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Lewistown, $475.80; Replogle (Woodbury) $42.76; Holsinger (Woodbury) $7.24; Curryville (Woodbury) $10.56; Martinsburg (Clover Creek) $83.10; Clover Creek, $25.75; Cross Roads (Clover Creek) $10.64; Burnham, $25; Huntingdon, $505; Juniata Park, $9; A. B. Mock (Clover Creek) $2; Mary A. Kinsey (Dunnings Creek) $10; M. S. Henry (Altoona) $.90; A Brother (Spring Valley) $25; A. B. Wakefield (Aughwick) $2; J. M. Pittenger (Huntingdon) $.25; F. H. Mohr & Wife (Woodbury) $15; S. S.: Sugar Run (Aughwick) $6.70; Curryville (Woodbury) $70.50; Maitland (Dry Valley) $4.20; Yellow Creek, $6.81; Replogle (Woodbury) $17.25; Cherry Lane, $8.59; Bellwood, $43.59; Huntingdon, $200; Spring Mount (Warriors Mark) $27.34; Smithfield, $25.66; Burnham, $13.39; Carson Valley, $4.61; Indv.: Ellen S. Strauser, $1, ... 1,679.64
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Norristown, $19.35; Coventry, $117.31; Parkerford, $37.59; Bethany (Phila.) $47; 1st Phila., $223.94; Germantown (Phila.) $93.99; S. S.: Quakertown (Springfield) $28.31; Parker Ford, $68; Norristown, $18.63, ... 654.12
So. Dist., Cong.: Buffalo, $24; Pleasant Hill, $60; Upper Conewago, $67.95; Newville (Upper Cumberland) $7.39; Marsh Creek, $49; Antietam, $16; Ellen Hersey (York) $25; James M. Moore (M. N.) (Waynesboro) $.50; Robert S. Krout (New Fairview) $2; D. E. Brandt (Upper Conewago) $60; H. B. Dicks & Family (Upper Conewago) $3; S. S.: Three Springs (Perry) $3.20; Melrose (Upper Codorus) $4.80; Brown's Mill (Falling Spring) $4.02; Pleasant Hill (Codorus) $2.27; Waynesboro, $589.18; Newville (Upper Cumberland) $15.98; New Fairview, $16.96; Hanover, $6.13; Dorcas Soc.: Waynesboro, $20, ... 977.38
W. Dist., Cong.: Scalp Level, $35.71; Pleasant Hill, $140; Morrellville, $125; Red Bank, $83.45; Uniontown (Georges Creek) $105.16; R. E. Reed (Mt. Union) $20; J. W. Wegley (M. N.) (Somerset) $1; No. 95276 (Montgomery) $6.50; Mrs. Edw. Donahey (Montgomery) $3; Mrs. Sadie Wareham (Pittsburgh) $3.65; D. P. Hoover & Family (Rummel) $100; S. S.: Wilpen (Ligonier) $8.20; "Be True for Christ" Class (Locust Grove) $5.50; "Willing Helpers" Class, Diamondville (Manor) $15; Christian Endeavor: Pleasant Hill, $2.60; Indv.: Alice Mummert, $4, ... 658.77

Tennessee—$14.20
Cong.: Johnson City, $9.70; S. S.: Johnson City, $4.50, ... 14.20

Texas—$29.70
Cong.: Manvel, $22; J. A. Miller (Falfurrias) $5.80; Indv.: Mrs. Julia Sandy, $1.90, 29.70

Virginia—$985.94
E. Dist., Cong.: Valley, $48.16; Mt. Carmel, $37.73; Midland, $13.38; Manassas, $64.48; H. S. Knight (Mt. Carmel) $1; Indv.: Helen L. Sandaal, $12, ... 176.75
First Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Sallie E. Pursley (Mt. Joy) $4.50; S. S.: Terrace View, $114.31; S. S.: Cloverdale, $92.46, ... 211.27
No. Dist., Cong.: Upper Lost River, $7.65; Mt. Zion, $44.73; Timberville, $54.90; Flat Rock, $31.12; Salem, $8; Greenmount, $8; Frank Stultz & Wife (Crab Run-Upper Lost River) $10; S. S.: Bible Class (Linville Creek) $45; Fairview, (Unity) $3.20; Valley Pike (Woodstock) $45.93, ... 258.53
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Summit, $31.41; Pleasant Valley, $140; Geo. R. Robertson (Chimney Run) $2.20; C. R. Sheets & Wife and W. J. Shull & Wife (Moscow) $10; Mrs. Bettie Harnsberger (Barren Ridge) $67.32; Jane A. Zimmerman & Sister (Sangerville) $15; S. S.: Sangerville, $31.87; Indv.: Mattie V. Caricofe, $.50, ... 298.30
So. Dist., Cong.: Pleasant Valley, $5.83; Shelton, $3.60; Mrs. Pauline Nolley (Christiansburg) $10; Mrs. W. H. Lintecum (Coulson) $4.66; Margaret McGee (Coulson) $1; S. S.: Christiansburg, $11.65; Boone Chapel (Snow Creek) $4.35, ... 41.09

Washington—$68.10
Cong.: Omak, $15.56; Tacoma, $17.65; Olympia, $27.89; John W. Graybill (Wenatchee Valley) $5; Indv.: J. E. Bosserman, $2, ... 68.10

West Virginia—$94.35
First Dist., Cong.: Greenland, $17.35; Eglon, $15; Old Furnace, $10; Wm. Flory & Wife (Tearcoat) $5; Indv.: Mrs. D. M. Shumaker, $3; D. J. Simmons, $10, ... 60.35
Sec. Dist., Cong.: M. C. Czigan (Pleasant Valley) $5; Doddridge Co. Bank (Pleasant Valley) $10; Aid Soc.: Valley River, $10; Indv.: Wm. McNemar, $5; Jesse Judy, $4, .. 34.00

Wisconsin—$18.52
Cong.: White Rapids, $15; S. S.: Maple Grove, $2; White Rapids, $1.52, ... 18.52

Total for the month, ...$15,226.32

Total previously reported, ... 66,688.93

Total for the year, ...$81,915.25

EMERGENCY FOR MISSIONS

Illinois—$33.17
No. Dist., S. S.: Louisa (Waddams Grove) $ 33.17

Kansas—$50.00
N. E. Dist., S. S.: "Servants of the Master" Class (Morrill), ... 50.00

Louisiana—$8.92
S. S.: Roanoke, ... 8.92

Maryland—$68.91
E. Dist., S. S.: Union Bridge (Pipe Creek) $15.91; Westminster (Meadow Branch) $53, .. 68.91

Missouri—$3.18
S. W. Dist., S. S.: Carthage, ... 3.18

Ohio—$4.39
So. Dist., S. S.: Painter Creek, ... 4.39

Pennsylvania—$9.34
Mid. Dist., S. S.: James Creek, ... 1.57
W. Dist., S. S.: Diamondville (Manor), .. 7.77

Virginia—$57.68
E. Dist., S. S.: Nokesville, ... 38.71
Sec. Dist., S. S. Bridgewater, ... 18.97

Total for the month, ...$ 235.59
Total previously reported, ... 1,449.13

Total for the year, ...$ 1,684.72

STUDENT FELLOWSHIP 1926-1927

China—$5.00
Indv.: Dr. D. L. Horning, ...$ 5.00

Indiana—$2.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Nora E. Seitner (Roann), 2.00

Total for the month, ...$ 7.00
Total previously reported, ... 56.00

Total for the year, ...$ 63.00

AID SOCIETY FOREIGN MISSION FUND

California—$75.00
So. Dist., Aid Societies, ...$ 75.00

Illinois—$233.50
No. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 103.50
So. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 130.00

Indiana—$37.00
Mid. Dist., Aid Soc.: Peru, ... 7.00
So. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 30.00

Kansas—$49.00
S. W. Dist., Aid Soc.: McPherson, $25; Pleasant View, $9; Bloom, $4.50; Larned Rural $10.50, ... 49.00

Louisiana—$10.00
Aid Soc.: Roanoke, ... 10.00

Maryland—$110.00
Mid. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 110.00

Michigan—$20.00
Aid Societies, ... 20.00

Nebraska—$25.00
Aid Soc.: So. Beatrice, ... 25.00

Pennsylvania—$130.00
E. Dist., Aid Soc.: Spring Creek, ... 5.00
S. E. Dist., Aid Soc.: Brooklyn, $10; Bethany (Phila.) $15; Norristown, $10; Parkerford, $20, ... 55.00
So. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 70.00

Total for the month, ...$ 689.50
Total previously reported, ... 3,630.52

Total for the year, ...$ 4,320.02

HOME MISSIONS

Illinois—$6.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Woodland, ...$ 6.00

Iowa—$200.00
So. Dist., Indv.: A Brother & Sister, ... 200.00

Maryland—$10.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Cherry Grove, ... 10.00

Ohio—$17.42
So. Dist., Cong.: Springfield, ... 17.42

Oklahoma—$5.00
Cong.: Mary E. Williams (Paradise Prairie), 5.00

Pennsylvania—$32.00
E. Dist., S. S.: Lebanon (Midway), ... 30.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Mary Bixler (York), ... 2.00

Virginia—$64.48
E. Dist., Cong.: Manassas, ... 64.48

Total for the month, ...$ 334.90
Total previously reported, ... 1,075.09

Total for the year, ...$ 1,409.99

GREENE COUNTY, VIRGINIA, MISSION

Pennsylvania—$118.05
Mid. Dist., S. S.: "Soul Winners" Class (Spring Run), ...$ 5.00
S. E. Dist., S. S.: 1st Philadelphia, ... 31.80
So. Dist., S. S.: "Willing Workers Organized Intermediate Class" (East Berlin-Upper Conewago) $25; Young People's Organized Class (Upper Conewago) $14, ... 39.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Robert Haynes (Roxbury) $25; S. S.: Purchase Line (Manor) $17.25, ... 42.25

Virginia—$74.48
E. Dist., Cong.: Manassas, ... 64.48
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Chas. B. Gibbs (Chimney Run), ... 10.00

Total for the month, ...$ 192.53
Total previously reported, ... 421.38

Total for the year, ...$ 613.91

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Illinois—$10.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Elizabeth Gnagy (1st Chicago), ...$ 10.00

Kansas—$31.63
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Junior & Intermediate Dept. (Ottawa), ... 14.63
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Katie Schul (Fredonia) $15; Indv.: Mrs. E. L. Balter, $2, ... 17.00

Michigan—$60.19
S. S.: Lake View, ... 60.19

Ohio—$5.43
So. Dist., S. S.: Middletown, ... 5.43

Oklahoma—$3.00
Indv.: Bertha Ryan Shirk, $2; Mrs. G. E. Wales, $1, ... 3.00

Pennsylvania—$44.27
E. Dist., Cong.: No. 95271 (Maiden Creek), 25.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: "Busy Bee" Class (Bannerville-Dry Valley), ... 5.50
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Harmonyville, ... 6.55
So. Dist., S. S.: Black Rock (Upper Codorus), ... 7.22

Virginia—$5.00
First Dist., Cong.: C. E. Boone (Bluefield), 5.00

Total for the month, ...$ 159.52
Total previously reported, ... 4,286.95

Total for the year, ...$ 4,446.47

JUNIOR LEAGUE 1926

California—$141.32
No. Dist., S. S.: Children (Lindsay) $77.13; Junior Dept. (Oakland) $8.52; Intermediates, Juniors, & Primaries (Waterford) $51,92; D. V. B. S.: Laton, $3.75, ...$ 141.32

Colorado—$48.88
E. Dist., S. S.: Juniors (Rocky Ford) $25; Boys and Girls (Wiley) $23.88, ... 48.88

Florida—$7.25
C. W. S.: Junior-Intermediate (Sebring), 7.25

Idaho—$4.47
S. S.: Winchester, ... 4.47

Illinois—$242.38
No. Dist., S. S.: Mt. Morris, $124.97; Louisa (Waddams Grove) $15.50; Junior League (Dixon) $6; Small Children (Yellow Creek) $22.40; Children (Polo) $30.75; Children (Milledgeville) $40.76, ... 240.38
So. Dist., Cong.: Jacob Elder and Hugh

Fry (Allison Prairie), ... 2.00

Indiana—$589.89
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Manchester, $280; Primary Dept. (Plunge Creek Chapel) $26; Children (West Manchester) $41.32, ... 347.32
No. Dist., S. S.: Boys and Girls (Rock Run) $174.62; Children (Auburn) $6.30; Junior Class, (Lake View-LaPorte) $1.14; Blissville, $3, ... 185.06
So. Dist., Junior League, Four Mile, ... 57.51

Iowa—$209.09
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Boys and Girls (Pleasant View-Cedar), ... 16.25
No. Dist., Cong.: Sheldon, $71.84; S. S.: Children (Greene) $1; Junior Dept. (So. Waterloo) $54.95; Intermediate Dept. (So. Waterloo) $65.05, ... 192.84

Kansas—$223.00
N. E. Dist., S. S.: "Comrades Band" (Ottawa) $22.76; Junior Dept. (Morrill) $60; Primary Dept. (Morrill) $85.83; Intermediate Dept. (Morrill) $50, ... 218.59
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Paul Showalter (Pleasant View) $2.61; S. S.: Junior Band (Garden City) $1.80, ... 4.41

Maryland—$59.75
E. Dist., S. S.: "Willing Workers" Junior & Primary Classes (Bush Creek) $40.13; S. S.'s of Monocacy, $1.12, ... 41.25
Mid. Dist., Junior League (Pleasant View), 18.50

Michigan—$70.00
S. S.: Junior Dept. (Grand Rapids) $3; Children (Lake View) $67, ... 70.00

Minnesota—$18.76
S. S.: Hancock, ... 18.76

Missouri—$80.14
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Happy Hill, ... 3.70
No. Dist., S. S.: Boys and Girls (Smith Fork) $63.99; No. St. Joseph, $12.45, ... 76.44

Nebraska—$181.59
S. S.: Juniors (Bethel) $61.45; Children (So. Beatrice) $120.14, ... 181.59

Ohio—$448.96
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Olivet, $33.50; Children (Black River) $11.68, ... 45.18
N. W. Dist., S. S.: Primary & Junior Dept. (Greenspring) $8.87; Boys and Girls (Bellefontaine) $5.24, ... 14.11
So. Dist., Cong.: Bear Creek, $39.13; S. S.: Bethel $121; Donnels Creek, $55.60; "Comrades" Class (Cincinnati) $10; "Willing Workers" Class (Oakland) $43.10; Junior Class (Upper Twin) $2; Junior Dept. (West Alexandria) $46.25; Children (West Branch) $20.60; Prices Creek, $50.74; Primary Dept. (Ft. McKinley) $1.25, ... 389.67

Oklahoma—$31.65
S. S.: Children (Washita), ... 31.65

Pennsylvania—$416.21
E. Dist., S. S.: Hummelstown (Spring Creek) $8.75; Ridgely, $37.72, ... 46.47
Mid. Dist., S. S.: New Enterprise, $138.65; Juniors of Waterside (New Enterprise) $8.35; Children's Division (Lewistown) $89, ... 236.00
S. E. Dist., S. S.: "Truth Seekers" Class, Quakertown (Springfield) $16.30; Primary League of Junior Christian Endeavor Soc. (Germantown-Phila.) $13.40, ... 29.70
So. Dist., S. S.: "The Comrades" Class, Browns Mill (Falling Spring) $42.77; Florence P. Sellers, Black Rock (Upper Codorus) $3; C. W. S.: Junior (Waynesboro) $25, ... 70.77
W. Dist., S. S.: "Rainbow" Class (Mt. Joy) $2.50; Children (Red Bank) $30.77, ... 33.27

Tennessee—$11.45
S. S.: Children (Knob Creek), ... 11.45

Texas—$45.65
Cong.: Ft. Worth, ... 45.65

Virginia—$80.79
E. Dist., Cong.: Hiram, Jacob & Barbara Zigler (Belmont) $3.40; S. S.: Nokesville, $9.60, ... 13.00
First Dist., S. S.: Terrace View, ... 20.00
No. Dist., S. S.: Fairview (Unity), ... 11.50
Sec. Dist., S. S.: Junior Dept. (Bridgewater) $23.54; Primary Class (Moscow) $5; Mt. Vernon, $7.75, ... 36.29

Washington—$197.02
S. S.: Sunnyside, ... 197.02

West Virginia—$35.00
First Dist., S. S.: Children of Maple Spring (Eglon), ... 35.00

Total for the month, ...$ 3,143.25
Total previously reported, ... 4,190.93

Total for the year, ...$ 7,334.18

INDIA MISSION

Delaware—$25.00
Indv.: Wm. A. and Elizabeth Hochstedler, $ 25.00

Pennsylvania—$257.85
E. Dist., S. S.: Kemper's (Spring Grove), 28.35
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Royersford, $15; S. S.: 1st Philadelphia, $5; Royersford, $185, ... 205.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Quinter Wegley & Family (Moxham) $5; S. S.: "The Jewel Class" (Mt. Joy) (for work at Umalla) $2; Maple Glen, $17.50, ... 24.50

Total for the month, ...$ 282.85
Total previously reported, ... 4,203.25

Total for the year, ...$ 4,486.10

INDIA NATIVE WORKER

Pennsylvania—$35.00
E. Dist., Cong.: Lake Ridge, ...$ 10.00
W. Dist., C. W. S.: Adult (Walnut Grove -Johnstown), ... 25.00

Virginia—$20.00
Sec. Dist., Aid Soc.: Bridgewater, ... 20.00

Total for the month, ...$ 55.00
Total previously reported, ... 720.42

Total for the year, ...$ 775.42

INDIA BOARDING SCHOOL

Indiana—$35.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Fairview, ...$ 35.00

Kansas—$20.00
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Larned Rural, $10; S. S.: 1st Wichita, $10, ... 20.00

Michigan—$.05
Cong.: Beaverton, ... .05

Pennsylvania—$109.50
E. Dist., S. S.: Missionary Worker's Class, Lebanon (Midway) $25; Midway, $24.50; Florin (West Green Tree) $35, ... 84.50
So. Dist., Aid Soc.: York, ... 25.00

Virginia—$25.00
Sec. Dist., S. S.: "Winners" Class (Lebanon), ... 25.00

Total for the month, ...$ 189.55
Total previously reported, ... 1,508.18

Total for the year, ...$ 1,697.73

INDIA SHARE PLAN

California—$31.00
So. Dist., S. S.: "Friendship Bible Class" (Pasadena), ...$ 31.00

Illinois—$50.00
No. Dist., Cong.: M. L. Kimmel (Mt. Morris) $25; S. S.: Junior Cong. (Elgin) $25, ... 50.00

Indiana—$50.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Lona Swihart (Mexico) $25; S. S.: Primary Dept. (Delphi) $25, ... 50.00

Ohio—$81.25
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Claude G. Vore & Wife (Lima) $25; S. S.: Black Swamp, $50, 75.00
So. Dist., S. S.: "Golden Rule" Class, Happy Corner (Lower Stillwater), ... 6.25

Pennsylvania—$437.00
E. Dist., S. S.: "Other Folks" Class (Hatfield) $25; "The Sunshine Class" (Indian Creek) $4.50, ... 29.50
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Williamsburg, $50; Rev. A. B. Miller & Wife (Lewistown) $50; J. M. Pittenger & Wife (Huntingdon) $50; S. S.:

Roaring Spring, $50; Snake Spring, $50; "Willing Workers" Class (Snake Spring) $50; "Sunshine Class of Girls" (Roaring Spring) $25, ... 325.00
S. E. Dist., S. S.: 1st Philadelphia, $35; Grater Missy. Class (Norristown) $25,..... 60.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Eld. B. F. Lightner & Ida M. Lightner (Marsh Creek) $12.50; S. S.: Junior Girls' "Sunbeam Class" (Ridge) $10, 22.50

Tennessee—$75.00
Cong.: French Broad, $25; W. H. Wine (Mountain Valley) $25; S. S.: Young People's Class (Meadow Branch) $25,..... 75.00

Total for the month, ...$ 724.25
Total previously reported, ... 3,312.83

Total for the year, ...$ 4,037.08

DAHANU HOSPITAL BUILDING

Indiana—$5.00
No. Dist., S. S.: Mrs. Clarence Hostetler's Junior Class, Oregon (Blissville), ...$ 5.00

Washington—$24.50
Cong.: Susie E. Reber (Olympia) $20; S. S.: "Cheerful Wigglers" Class (Whitestone) $4.50, ... 24.50

Total for the month, ...$ 29.50
Total previously reported, ... 1,228.74

Total for the year, ...$ 1,258.24

INDIA HOSPITALS

Oregon—$5.65
Cong.: Portland, ...$ 5.65

Pennsylvania—$42.00
So. Dist., Aid Soc. 42.00

Total for the month, ...$ 47.65
Total previously reported, ... 66.76

Total for the year, ...$ 114.41

CHINA MISSION

Indiana—$11.49
So. Dist., S. S.: "Busy Bee" Class, Antioch (Killbuck), ... 11.49

Michigan—$10.00
S. S.: Marilla, ...$ 10.00

Ohio—$53.31
So. Dist., S. S.: Painter Creek, ... 53.31

Pennsylvania—$296.74
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Royersford, $15; S. S.: First Philadelphia, $5; Royersford, $185, ... 205.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Hampton (Upper Conewago) $54.74; S. S.: G. N. Gingrich's Class (Waynesboro) $14, ... 68.74
W. Dist., Cong.: Ligonier, ... 23.00

Tennessee—$12.38
S. S.: Pleasant Valley (Liao Chou), ... 12.38

Virginia—$63.37
First Dist., Cong.: Oak Grove, ... 7.00
Sec. Dist., S. S.: Sangerville, ... 56.37

Total for the month, ...$ 447.29
Total previously reported, ... 4,285.79

Total for the year, ...$ 4,733.08

CHINA NATIVE WORKER

Kansas—$30.00
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Appanoose, ...$ 30.00

Total for the month, ...$ 30.00
Total previously reported, ... 471.13

Total for the year, ...$ 501.13

CHINA BOYS' SCHOOL

Colorado—$9.97
W. Dist., Cong.: First Grand Valley, ...$ 9.97

Nebraska—$5.00
Cong.: A Helper (Silver Lake), ... 5.00

Total for the month, ...$ 14.97
Total previously reported, ... 29.49

Total for the year, ...$ 44.46

CHINA GIRLS' SCHOOL

Michigan—$.05
Cong.: Beaverton, ...$ .05

Nebraska—$5.00
Cong.: A Helper (Silver Lake), ... 5.00

Total for the month, ...$ 5.05
Total previously reported, ... 96.25

Total for the month, ...$ 101.30

CHINA SHARE PLAN

Arizona—$8.89
S. S.: "Standard Bearers" & "Workers for Jesus" Classes (Glendale), ...$ 8.89

California—$131.79
No. Dist., S. S.: "Truth Seekers" Class (McFarland), ... 6.25
So. Dist., S. S.: Hermosa Beach, $35; Santa Ana, $40.54; "Loyal Bible Class" (Pasadena) $50, ... 125.54

Colorado—$12.50
E. Dist., C. W. S.: Miami, ... 12.50

Maryland—$56.25
E. Dist., Cong.: A. L. B. Martin & Wife (Fulton Ave., Baltimore) $50; S. S.: Mission Study Class (Long Green Valley) $6.25, ... 56.25

Pennsylvania—$68.75
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Rev. A. B. Miller & Wife (Lewistown), ... 50.00
So. Dist., S. S.: "Always There" Class (Waynesboro), ... 18.75

Ohio—$37.50
So. Dist., S. S.: Royal Bible Class (Middle District) $12.50; Aid Soc.: Eversole, $25, ... 37.50

Total for the month, ...$ 315.68
Total previously reported, ... 1,669.66

Total for the year, ...$ 1,985.34

CHINA HOSPITALS

Ohio—$41.93
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Canton City, ...$ 41.93

Total for the month, ...$ 41.93
Total previously reported, ... 85.05

Total for the year, ...$ 126.98

LIAO CHOU HOSPITAL

Pennsylvania—$104.69
E. Dist., S. S.: Harrisburg, ...$ 99.69
S. E. Dist., Royersford, ... 5.00

Washington—$20.00
Cong.: Susie E. Reber (Olympia), ... 20.00

Total for the month, ...$ 124.69
Total previously reported, ... 154.50

Total for the year, ...$ 279.19

AFRICA MISSION

California—$78.95
So. Dist., Cong.: Pomona, $19.27; LaVerne, $57.68; "One Interested" (Inglewood) $2, ..$ 78.95

Illinois—$17.79
No. Dist., Cong.: Lila C. Brubaker (1st Chicago), ... 5.00
So. Dist., S. S.: LaPlace (Okaw), ... 12.79

Indiana—$50.00
Mid. Dist., Aid Soc.: Santa Fe, ... 50.00

Kansas—$4.00
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Buckeye, ... 4.00

Maryland—$25.00
E. Dist., S. S.: Women's Bible Class (Bethany), ... 25.00

Ohio—$372.00
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Danville, $12; District Meeting, $260, ... 272.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Annie May Calvert in memory of her brother James Quinter Calvert (May Hill), ... 100.00

Oklahoma—$5.00
Indv.: Sarah Latimer, ... 5.00

Pennsylvania—$1,560.09
E. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. J. W. Neal (Pal-

myra) $5; S. S.: "Gleaner's Class" (Ephrata) $35.40, ... 40.40
Mid. Dist., Cong.: No. 95356 (Lewistown), 20.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: 1st Philadelphia, $73.50; Royersford, $13.68; S. S.: Royersford, $123.01; 1st Philadelphia, $51.50; Aid Soc.: Coventry, $10; Christian Endeavor Soc.: Green Tree, $45, ... 316.69
So. Dist., Cong.: L. Anna Schwenk (Sugar Valley) $50; S. S.: "Always Willing" Class (Waynesboro) $1,000; Helping Hand" Class (Waynesboro) $68, ... 1,118.00
W. Dist., S. S.: Intermediate Class of Girls (Walnut Grove-Johnstown) $50; "Willing Helpers" Class (Diamondville-Manor) $15, .. 65.00

Virginia—$14.40
No. Dist., S. S.: Timberville, ... 14.40

Washington—$30.00
Cong.: Susie E. Reber (Olympia) $20; M. A. Verbeck (Okanogan Valley) $10, ... 30.00

Total for the month, ...$ 2,157.23
Total previously reported, ... 7,619.03

Total for the year, ...$ 9,776.26

AFRICA SHARE PLAN

Indiana—$25.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Floyd E. Leeper & Wife (Manchester), ... 25.00

Maryland—$25.00
E. Dist., S. S.: "Live Wire" Class (Woodberry-Baltimore), ... 25.00

Pennsylvania—$18.76
S. E. Dist., S. S.: First Philadelphia, ... 18.76

Total for the month, ...$ 68.76
Total previously reported, ... 318.75

Total for the year, ...$ 387.51

NEAR EAST RELIEF

California—$14.85
No. Dist., Cong.: Fresno, ...$ 14.85

Florida—$3.59
Cong.: Arcadia, ... 3.59

Illinois—$23.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Lydia Bricknell (Freeport), ... 3.00
So. Dist., Cong.: A. H. Lind & Wife (Astoria) $10; Winfield Ross & Wife (Astoria) $10, ... 20.00

Indiana—35.45
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Manchester, ... 10.00
No. Dist., Cong.: W. Goshen, $20.45; No. Winona, $5, ... 25.45

Iowa—$4.93
No. Dist., S. S.: Curlew, ... 4.93

Maryland—$55.43
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Maugansville & Creek Hill (Broadfording) $20.22; Manor, $35.21, ... 55.43

Missouri—$1.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Alice R. Mohler (So. Warrensburg), ... 1.00

Ohio—$5.60
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Danville, ... 5.60

Oregon—$1.07
S. S.: Newberg, ... 1.07

Pennsylvania—$383.10
E. Dist., Cong.: West Green Tree, $115.45; Spring Creek, $10; Palmyra, $10; Ridgely, $23.84; S. S.: Ephrata, $39; Annville, $20.43; Spring Creek, $14.29; "Gleaner's Class" (Akron) $5; Esther Seibert's Class (Spring Creek) $.51; Velma Harpin's Class (Spring Creek) $.68; Esther Espenshade's Class (Spring Creek) $1; Eliza Bashore's Class (Spring Creek) $.40; "Hopeful" Class (Spring Creek) $37.50, ... 278.10
Mid. Dist., Cong.: 1st Altoona, $80; F. H. Mohr & Wife (Woodbury) $15, ... 95.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Elizabeth Mills (Walnut Grove-Johnstown) $5; S. S.: Intermediate Dept. (Walnut Grove-Johnstown) $5, 10.00

Tennessee—$15.00
Cong.: Pleasant Hill, ... 15.00

Virginia—$45.62
First Dist., S. S.: "Teacher Training" Class (Roanoke N. W.), ... 1.25
Sec. Dist., S. S.: Orlando, Jasper, Esther and Cornelia (Sangerville) $9.78; White Hill, $2.50, ... 12.28
So. Dist., Cong.: Antioch, $12.09; Fraternity, $20, ... 32.09

Total for the month, ...$ 588.64
Total previously reported, ... 2,635.78

Total for the year, ...$ 3,224.42

ARMENIAN RELIEF

Kansas—$2.50
N. W. Dist., Indv.: Mrs. E. E. Greenough,$ 2.50

Total for the month, ...$ 2.50
Total previously reported, ... 141.11

Total for the year, ...$ 143.61

GENERAL RELIEF

Michigan—$1.00
Indv.: Unknown donor of Brutus, ...$ 1.00

Total for the month, ...$ 1.00
Total previously reported, ... 4.00

Total for the year, ...$ 5.00

MINISTERIAL AND MISSIONARY RELIEF

Illinois—$30.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Astoria, ...$ 30.00

Indiana—$5.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Lanah Hess (Goshen), .. 5.00

Maryland—$10.00
E. Dist., Cong.: Wm. Gosnell (Sams Creek), 10.00

Ohio—$20.00
N. E. Dist., Cong.: A Sister (Maple Grove), 20.00

Pennsylvania—$15.00
E. Dist., S. S.: Lebanon (Midway), ... 15.00

Washington—$1.00
Cong.: Emma Kilme (Tacoma), ... 1.00

Total for the month, ...$ 81.00
Total previously reported, ... 26.50

Total for the year, ...$ 107.50

CONFERENCE BUDGET

California—$3.46
No. Dist., S. S.: Patterson, ...$ 3.46

Illinois—$4.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Elgin, ... 4.00

Indiana—$489.03
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Pleasant View, $135; Bachelor Run, $86.78; Victoria Stoneburner (Pleasant Dale) $12.50; S. S.: Huntington, $50; Santa Fe, $36.61, ... 320.89
No. Dist., Cong.: New Paris, $40; Osceola, $78.14, ... 118.14
So. Dist., Cong.: Four Mile, ... 50.00

Iowa—$150.00
So. Dist., Cong.: English River, ... 150.00

Maryland—$25.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Hagerstown, ... 25.00

Missouri—$14.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Shelby Co., ... 14.00

Ohio—$175.29
N. E. Dist., C. C.: E. Chippewa, ... 25.29
So. Dist., Cong.: Pitsburg, $25; Poplar Grove, $125, ... 150.00

Pennsylvania—$62.50
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Juniata Park, $1; 28th St. Altoona, $50; S. S.: "Soul Winners" Class (Spring Run) $11.50, ... 62.50

Virginia—$198.84
No. Dist., Cong.: Greenmount, $24; Timberville, $150, ... 174.00
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Middle River, ... 24.84

Washington—$45.27
Cong.: Tacoma, $36; S. S.: No. Spokane, $9.27, ... 45.27

Total for the month, ...$ 1,167.39

Total previously reported, ... 53,034.17

Total for the year, ...$54,201.56

CONFERENCE BUDGET DESIGNATED

California—$24.81
No. Dist., S. S.: Waterford, $20.72; Elk Creek, $4.09, ...$ 24.81

Oklahoma—$43.86
S. S.: Thomas, ... 43.86

Michigan—$4.07....
Cong.: Shepherd, ... 4.07

Pennsylvania—$69.00
E. Dist., S. S.: Junior Girls' Class, Manheim (White Oak) $12; Manheim (White Oak, $15, ... 27.00
So. Dist., S. S.: "Cheerful Helpers" Class (Waynesboro), ... 42.00

Virginia—$5.00
First Dist., S. S.: Terrace View, ... 5.00

Total for the month, ...$ 146.74
Total previously reported, ... 210.46

Total for the year, ...$ 357.20

MARCH WORLD SERVICE 1927-28

California—$25.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Grant W. Bowman (Calvary-Los Angeles), ... 25.00

Illinois—$100.00
No. Dist., Cong.: C. W. Lahman (Franklin Grove), ... 100.00

Indiana—$100.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Michael Andes (Middletown), ... 100.00

Maryland—$50.00
Mid. Dist., Malcolm A. Long (Hagerstown), 50.00

Pennsylvania—$1,450.00
E. Dist., Cong.: I. T. Madeira (Elizabethtown) $100; P. H. Zendt (Hatfield) $100; John Graybill (White Oak) $50, ... 250.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Frank Foster (1st Phila.), ... 100.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. M. F. Oller (Waynesboro) $100; J. J. Oller (Waynesboro $1,000, 1,100.00

Total for the month, ...$ 1,725.00
Total previously reported, ... 220.00

Total for the year, ...$ 1,945.00

MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

California—$202.68
So. Dist., La Verne Cong. for E. D. Vaniman & Wife and Lynn A. Blickenstaff & Wife, $87.68; Lindsay Cong. for Dr. Ida Metzger, $100; McFarland Young People's C. W. S. for Minneva Neher, $15, ...$ 202.68

Colorado—$123.28
E. Dist., Wiley Cong., $81.50 and Rocky Ford Cong. $41.78 for Anna N. Crumpacker, 123.28

Idaho—$449.86
Cong. & S. S.'s for Dr. D. L. Horning, $91.30; Nezperce Cong. for Dr. D. L. Horning, $6.37; Congs. for Dr. D. L. Horning, $90.50; for Anetta C. Mow, $261.69, ... 449.86

Illinois—$811.22
No. Dist., 1st Chicago Cong. for Floyd E. Mallott $327.57; Franklin Grove Cong. for Bertha Butterbaugh, $57.58; Mt. Morris Cong. for Ruth Ulery $50; Mt. Morris S. S. for Sadie J. Miller, $276.07; 1st Chicago Elementary Depts. for Junior Mallott, $100, ... 811.22

Indiana—$275.00
No. Dist., 1st So. Bend Ladies' Missy. Soc. for Dorothy Summer, ... 50.00
So. Dist., S. S.'s for W. J. Heisey, $125; Rossville Cong. for Minerva Metzger, $100, 225.00

Iowa—$1,197.89
Mid. Dist., Cedar Rapids S. S. for Emma Horning, ... 550.00
No. Dist., Ivester Cong. for W. Harlan Smith & Family, ... 475.00
So. Dist., English River S. S. for Nettie M. Senger $130; No. English River S. S. for Nettie M. Senger, $42.89, ... 172.89

Kansas—$21.90
N. E. Dist., Ottawa S. S. for Ella Ebbert, 17.50
S. E. Dist., Parsons S. S. for Emma Eby, ... 4.40

Michigan—$126.36
Juniors for Harlan Bowman, $11.90; Primary Depts. for Harold Bowman, $12.46; S. S.'s for Pearl Bowman, $67; Lake View S. S. for Clara Harper Budget (Manchester College Stu. Vol.) $10; for Pearl Bowman, $25, ... 126.36

Missouri—$100.86
Mid. Dist., Cong. for Jennie Mohler, ... 100.86

Nebraska—$69.00
Bethel Cong. for R. C. Flory, ... 69.00

Ohio—$1,578.56
N. E. Dist., Olivet Aid Soc. for Esther Mae Helser, $78.75; Cleveland Cong. for Goldie Swartz, $74.24; Hartville Cong. for Anna Brumbaugh, $150; Owl Creek for Lola Helser, $49.03, ... 352.02
N. W. Dist., Lick Creek Cong. for Elizabeth Kintner, ... 137.50
So. Dist., S. S.'s for Elizabeth Baker and O. C. Sollenberger, $1,001.41; Salem Cong. for Minnie F. Bright, $87.63, ... 1,089.04

Pennsylvania—$2,509.00
E. Dist., S. S.'s for Kathryn Ziegler, ... 500.00
Mid. Dist., Albright Cong. & S. S. for Olivia D. Ikenberry, $21; New Enterprise Cong. for Sarah Replogle, $500; Huntingdon Cong. for J. M. Blough, $51.71, ... 572.71
So. Dist., S. S.'s for Adam Ebey, ... 236.29
W. Dist., Quemahoning Cong. for Esther Beahm, $100; Greensburg, Cong. for L. S. Brubaker, $100; S. S.'s for Wm. Beahm, Olive Widdowson, Ida Shumaker and Grace Clapper, $1,000, ... 1,200.00

Virginia—$675.84
First Dist., Pleasant View Cong. for Rebecca C. Wampler, ... 50.00
E. Dist., Mother's Class, Oakton S. S. (Fairfax) for M. M. Myers, ... 25.00
No. Dist., Greenmount S. S. for Dr. F. J. Wampler, ... 50.00
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Elk Run, for Sara Z. Myers, $27.84; Bridgewater Cong. for Ella Flohr, $173; Pleasant Valley Cong. for Edna Flory, $300, ... 500.84
So. Dist., Fraternity Cong. for Rebecca C. Wampler, $25; for Elsie Shickel, $25, ... 50.00

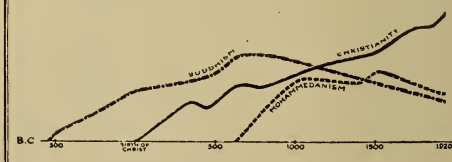
Washington—$73.25
Wenatchee Valley Missy. Soc. for Ada Dunning Hollenberg, ... 73.25

West Virginia—$20.00
First Dist., Eglon Cong. for Anna B. Mow, 20.00

Total for the month, ...$ 8,234.70
Total previously reported, ... 38,933.17

Total for the year, ...$47,167.87

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AMERICA

Church of the Brethren Industrial School, Geer, Va.

Bollinger, Amsey and Florence, 1922
Early, H. C., and Emma, 1925
Finckh, Elsie, 1925
Hersch, Orville and Mabel, 1925
Kline, Alvin, 1926
Wampler, Nelie, 1922

In Pastoral Service

Bowman, Price and Elsie, Bassett, Va., 1925
Fahnestock, Rev. and Mrs. S. G., 1059 Michigan Ave., Portland, Ore., 1927
Garber, Glenn, Essex, Mo., 1925
Haney, R. A. and Irva, Merrill, Md., 1925
Horner, W. J. and Hazel, 3122 Ellis Ave., Fort Worth, Texas
Scrogum, Arthur and Marie, Accident, Md., 1926
Showalter, R. K. and Florence, Rose Pine, La., 1926
White, Ralph and Matie, 1206 E. Holston Ave., Johnson City, Tenn., 1923

SWEDEN

Spanhusvagen 38, Malmö, Sweden

Graybill, J. F., and Alice, 1911
Buckingham, Ida, 1913

CHINA

Ping Ting Hsien, Shansi, China

Baker, Elizabeth, 1922
Brubaker, L. S., and Marie, 1924
Coffman, Dr. Carl, 1921, and Lulu, 1919
Crumpacker, F. H., 1908
Flory, Edna R., 1917
Hollenberg, John, 1926, and Ada D., 1922
Metzger, Minerva, 1910
Seese, Norman A., and Anna, 1917
Schaeffer, Mary, 1917
Vaniman, Ernest D., and Susie, 1913

Liao Chou, Shansi, China

Flory, Raymond, and Lizzie, 1914
Horning, Emma, 1908
Oberholtzer, I. E., and Eliz., 1916
Pollock, Myrtle, 1917
Senger, Nettie M., 1916
Shock, Laura J., 1916

Shou Yang, Shansi, China

Clapper, V. Grace, 1917
Flory, Byron M., and Nora, 1917
Heisey, Walter J., and Sue, 1917
Neher, Minneva J., 1924

Tai Yuan, care of Y. M. C. A., Shansi, China

Ikenberry, E. L., and Olivia, 1922

Peking, China, Yen Ching, School of Chinese Studies, 5 Tung Ssu, Tao Tiao

Ulery, Ruth F., 1926

On Furlough

Bowman, Samuel B., and Pearl, 708 S. Central Park Ave., Chicago, Ill., 1918
Bright, J. Homer and Minnie, 1208 No. Wayne St., North Manchester, Ind., 1911
Cline, Mary E., 900 Franklin, Roaring Spring, Pa., 1920
Crumpacker, Anna, Elgin, Ill., 1908
Horning, Dr. D. L., and Martha, c|o General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill., 1919
Hutchison, Anna, Easton, Md., 1911
Myers, Minor M., and Sara, Bridgewater, Va., 1919
Smith, W. Harlan and Frances, c|o General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill., 1920
Sollenberger, O. C., and Hazel, c|o J. W. Coppock, Tippecanoe City, Ohio, 1919
Wampler, Dr. Fred J., and Rebecca, Accomac, Va., 1913

AFRICA

Garkidda, Nigeria, West Africa, via Jos and Numan

Beahm, Wm. M., and Esther, 1924
Flohr, Earl W., and Ella, 1926
Gibbel, Dr. J. Paul, and Verda, 1926
Harper, Clara, 1926
Heckman, Clarence C., and Lucile, 1924
Helser, Albert D., 1922, and Lola, 1923
Kulp, H. Stover, 1922
Mallott, Floyd, 1924
Shisler, Sara, 1926

On Furlough

Burke, Dr. Homer L., and Marguerite, 509 So. Honore St., Chicago, Ill., 1923
Mallott, Ruth B., 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, 1924

INDIA

Ahwa, Dangs, India

Garner, H. P., and Kathryn, 1916

Anklesvar, Broach Dist., India

Grisso, Lillian, 1917
Long, I. S., and Effie, 1903
Moomaw, I. W., and Mabel, 1923
Shickel, Elsie, 1921
Woods, Beulah, 1924

Bulsar, Surat Dist., India

Blickenstaff, Lynn A., and Mary, 1920
Cottrell, Dr. A. R., and Laura, 1913
Mohler, Jennie, 1916
Roop, Ethel, 1926
Shumaker, Ida C., 1910

Dahanu Road, Thana Dist., India

Ebbert, Ella, 1917
Metzger, Dr. Ida, 1925
Nickey, Dr. Barbara M., 1915
Royer, B. Mary, 1913
Wolf, L. Mae, 1922

Jalalpor, Surat Dist., India

Miller, Eliza B., 1900
Mow, Baxter M., and Anna, 1923

Vada, Thana Dist., India

Kaylor, John I., 1911 and Ina, 1921
Swartz, Goldie E., 1916

Palghar, Thana Dist., India

Alley, Howard L., and Hattie, 1917

Post Umalla, via Anklesvar, India

Lichty, D. J., 1902, and Anna, 1912
Widdowson, Olive, 1912
Ziegler, Kathryn, 1908

Vyara, via Surat Dist., India

Blough, J. M., and Anna, 1903
Brooks, Harlan J., and Ruth, 1924
Mow, Anetta, 1917

On Furlough

Blickenstaff, Verna M., Cerro Gordo, Ill., 1919
Brumbaugh, Anna B., 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
Butterbaugh, A. G., and Bertha, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
Ebey, Adam, and Alice, North Manchester, Ind., 1900
Forney, D. L., and Anna, La Verne, Calif., 1897
Hollenberg, Fred M., and Nora, Sebring, Fla., 1919
Kintner, Elizabeth, Ney, Ohio, 1919
Miller, Arthur S. B. and Jennie, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
Miller, Sadie J., R. F. D., Waterloo, Ia., 1903
Replogle, Sara, New Enterprise, Pa., 1919
Shull, Chalmer and Mary, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
Summer, B. F. and Nettie, Mooreland, Ind., 1919
Wagoner, J. E., and Ellen, North Manchester, Ind., 1919

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Editorial

The 1927 Hershey Annual Conference, June 8-15

Our Conference in days gone by was very much a legislative institution. When the foreign mission interests were begun, interest shifted from queries and their answers to the promotion of missions. The movement continued until at present the inspirational and educational events of Conference command the attention of more members than the business sessions. The latter ought to be vital to every member, but nevertheless more members are interested in the Great Missionary Convocation, coming on Monday, than are interested in the business sessions of Tuesday. After all, legislative acts do not secure a response in individual lives commensurate with educational and inspirational efforts. In our national government laws are hard to enforce unless there is a strong sentiment built up for their respect in the minds of the citizenry of the country.

The Missionary Convocation

As chief speaker for the Missionary Convocation we shall have Eld. Charles D. Bonsack, Secretary of the General Mission Board. Bro. Bonsack will have just returned from an extended tour of our mission fields in China, India, and Scandinavia. Seats will be reserved on the platform or near by for a group of folks who for some reason deserve special recognition on this day.

The offering is always a great part of the meeting. First there is the offering of life—the new missionaries appointed by the Conference going out to their important tasks. Then the offering of money—a practical way by which the members of the home church share in the missionary enterprise. The vast body of members who cannot attend Conference can visualize the large Hershey auditorium and the many ushers receiving the offerings of the home churches which the delegates will carry to Conference. Then the sacred consecration prayer will be offered. The lives, the money and the heart throbs of the folks who have "stayed by the stuff" at home will all be laid out before God and consecrated to him. The program is planned as follows:

1:45—2:10 **Song Service**

Note. In order to arrange proper seating, the following groups are requested to meet in the rooms to the rear of the platform for instructions promptly at 1:30 P. M.

Order of entrance to auditorium.
Standing Committee.
Ministers who have served thirty-five years.
Parents of missionaries.
Detained missionaries.
Members of General Mission Board and secretaries.
All members of District Mission Boards.
Missionaries on furlough.
All home mission workers.
New missionaries.
Volunteers.

2:10—2:20 Devotions .....M. M. Myers
2:20—2:25 Quartette
2:25—3:25 Address .....Chas. D. Bonsack
3:25—3:40 Offering—Under direction of Otho Winger
Prayer of Thanks ..Rufus Bucher
3:40—4:10 Recognition of Home and Foreign Workers ....Otho Winger
Presentation of New Missionaries
Consecration Prayer C. C. Ellis
Blest Be the Tie That Binds
God Be With You Till We Meet Again
Closing Prayer Edward Frantz

The Home Mission Program

In the morning of Monday, June 13, the Home Mission Program will be rendered. Bro. J. J. Yoder, for many years a member of the General Mission Board, now a member of the General Ministerial Board and of the recent deputation to our mission fields, will bring the chief address. The program outlined is as follows:

7:00—7:20 **Devotional** .....J. J. John
7:20—7:50 **Our Mountain Work** ...H. C. Early
10:20—11:30 **The Home Church**
10:20—10:30 Song Service
10:30—10:40 Missionary Educational Materials ....H. Spenser Minnich
10:40—10:50 New Advances in Home Mission Work ....M. Clyde Horst
10:50—11:30 Quartette
The New Step for the Church in America .....J. J. Yoder
11:30—11:50 Intercession and Consecration .....J. B. Emmert

Missionary Demonstrations and Exhibits

To see the missionaries at work in the foreign fields is the desire of all of us. This not being possible the missionary demonstrations at the last two Conferences were enthusiastically received. A series of very interesting events is planned this year to make the work of missions more vivid. The Sisters' Aid organization is sponsoring a pageant portraying the projects for which the Aids have worked during the recent years. The India missionaries will portray station and church life in India. The exhibits will be open during certain hours, at which time missionaries or their representatives will be there to tell about mission work.

Tentative Schedule of Missionary Demonstrations. Illustrated Lectures and Exhibits in Hillside Auditorium

Thursday 4: 15—6: 00

4:15—4:45 India Demonstration.
4:50—5:40 Rural Church Slides.

Friday 4: 15—6: 00

4: 15—4: 45 China Demonstration.
4: 50—5: 40 Africa Slides.

Sunday

2: 00—3: 00 P. M. Friends of Many Firesides. Illustrated Lecture, especially for children.
5: 00—5: 30 Junior League Demonstration.
5: 30—6: 25 Africa Demonstration.
6: 30—7: 00 Greene County Slides.

Exhibits—Hours

8: 00—9: 00 A. M.
12: 30—1: 30
4: 00—7: 00
Sunday open 12: 30—7: 00 P. M.

Transportation to Hershey

Our Annual Conference is a great unifying factor in the church. We come together from widely-separated areas and exchange views, and thereby are bound together in closer understanding. Those who travel by train have the advantage of fellowship with others en route. The Pennsylvania Railroad provides excellent service from Chicago and St. Louis, through thickly settled Church of the Brethren territory, direct to Harrisburg. From there Hershey may be reached by a trip of thirteen miles over the P. & R. railroad.

The Pennsylvania road is desirous of providing special cars on several days, and as many special trains as are necessary to comfortably care for the Conference goers. They have arranged that special sleeping cars, having fifteen or more passengers, will be routed direct to the Conference grounds with no change of cars at Harrisburg. The schedule of their special car and train service will be published in the Gospel Messenger, and may be secured by addressing Pennsylvania Railroad, Union Station, Chicago, Ill.

The delegates from the sparsely settled sections of the west may be joined by members living east of Chicago and St. Louis and much fellowship enjoyed, to the profit of the church, while traveling to and from Conference.

The 1927 Furloughed Missionaries. Missionaries returning on furlough this year are as follows: From China, Dr. D. L. and Martha Horning, W. Harlan and Frances Smith, Mary Cline and Grace Clapper. All of them arrived on the Empress of Canada at Vancouver April 17. Sister Clapper has returned home in order that she may recover her health. In March, Ernest and Susie Vaniman returned on account of her illness. From India, Fred and Nora Hollenberg, C. G. and Mary Shull, B. F. and Nettie Summer, J. E. and Ellen Wagoner, Sadie J. Miller, and Elizabeth Kintner. All of these with the exception of Sadie Miller will arrive about May 9 at New York on the S. S. Scythia of the Cunard Line. The Wagoners will spend a few weeks in Virginia, between the time of landing and the Hershey Conference. The Summer family will go to Polo, Ill., after a brief stop at Mooreland, Ind. The addresses of all of the returning missionaries may be found on the inside cover of this issue.

New Missionary Catalogue. The Protestant Mission Boards of the United States and Canada coöperate in building missionary educational materials. The coöperative organization is known as the Missionary Education Movement. The Movement furnishes catalogues to the Church of the Brethren with our denominational imprint.

In addition to this Missionary catalogue, the General Mission Board has just issued a supplement of missionary literature prepared by our own church, and other literature which does not appear in the catalogue. This supplement for convenience includes stewardship literature put out by the Council of Promotion, as well as the doctrinal literature distributed by the General Mission Board. All of the lantern slide sets are listed in it. When you order the missionary catalogue the supplement will be included.

Please note that you should ask for the Missionary Catalogue. The Brethren Publishing House issues its catalogue of Bibles, general books and other materials separate from the Missionary Catalogue.

Missionary Picture Leaflets. Since MISSIONS is the Great First Work of the Church the subject should be kept clearly and forcibly before all church members. In harmony with this task the Educational Department of the General Mission Board provides material each year to aid in this work. For 1927 six splendid picture leaflets, with a brief message for each picture, are printed for distribution in all of our churches. They

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Our United Task

J. W. LEAR
Director, Council of Promotion

MARCH first, 1927, a new fiscal year began. It suggests heavier responsibilities. Those who have in charge the general work feel very small. We are so dependent; first, upon our heavenly Father; next, upon the brethren and sisters of the Brotherhood. Our work is yours, your work is ours and we are all workers together with God. What a responsibility! And we share it equally; that is, to the measure of each one's ability.

The Conference Budget

This year's Conference budget is $408,300. This amount is to be administered by the boards of the church as follows:

General Mission Board	$370,000.00	= .905	on the $
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The District Quotas

The quotas for each District are found on page 4 in the 1927 Yearbook. These amounts are not meant to be arbitrary, but rather suggestive. The purpose is to equalize the financial privilege. I almost said *burden.* Love will find a way to do it. Love always does more than the average. Love never grumbles at nor shrinks from a hard task. Love never says "How little?" but rather "How much?" Love never says "My bit," but "My best."

The Children Understand

Jesus set a child in the midst and told the grown men to take pattern from the children. They know how to give sacrificially and rejoice in it. Not soon shall I forget the girl in a western church who could scarcely wait to carry her offering to the front of the church. It was for a hospital in India. The sparkle in the eye, the smile on the face, the clear melody of the voice as she told her story, all revealed the joy of giving in the soul. Her own

hands had wrought. Through the summer she watched and worked, and now the harvest time and the giving time produced an overflow of rejoicing. She gave it all, over thirteen dollars. She was happy in doing it.

The Young People Interested

On my desk is a news letter from a young people's organization. I read it with joy. All young persons in the District were urged to tithe their income. The letter was full of enthusiasm and hope. I almost wished I were young again. These young people are ours. They are not what some would like them to be. They are doing some mighty fine things, however. They are making good in ways we older folks did not when we were young. Your contribution of life and money is needed and will be appreciated, young people. Show us older folks how to do it, will you? Thank you.

The Aid Women

The men are all sympathetic. You have done and are doing a great work. In a District Meeting in which $1,750 was raised for District missions the ladies of the District contributed $1,000. Your hearts are more sympathetic than men's. Then, too, you can find a way after the men say it can't be done. The Conference budget looks big to the men. I imagine the sisters could raise the whole thing themselves if they set out to do it.

The Men Are Coming

They can't stay out when the children, young people and women are all at it. It is too lonesome. The Men's Work organization is just getting under way. There is a hum about it that sounds different. One Christian layman said recently, "The men of the church have never been challenged by the ministry. We are beginning to get awake. Watch us go." Well, some of us ministers are watching and we are praying, too. We are willing, too, to help the laymen go. Just so we don't get in your way.

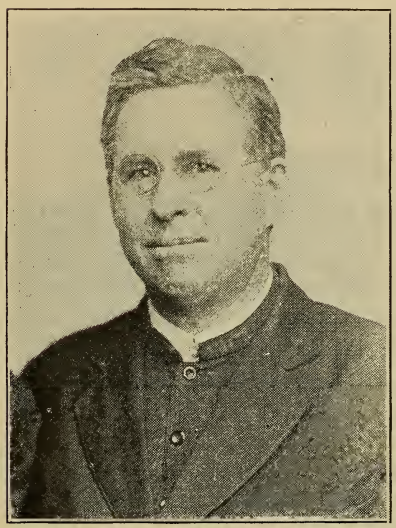
Together Then

Now, all together, let us learn the art of Christian living and the grace of Christian giving. To live nobly and to give liberally will please the Father and help our Master to win the world back to himself. "On to success and victory together" is our slogan. God is our Helper.

Offerings for the Conference budget may be sent to Council of Promotion, Clyde M. Culp, Treasurer, Elgin, Ill.

Whence Comes Chinese Nationalism?

FRANK H. CRUMPACKER
Missionary to China Since 1908



Frank H. Crumpacker

WHEN Christian missions began in China, over a hundred years ago, little did the leaders believe that they were beginning a teaching among the people which, if observed, would lead to democracy and nationalism.

I presume most missionaries can easily see that the teachings of Christ lead people to desire freedom. Through their mission schools and constant evangelistic efforts the people learned that freedom was and is better than bondage. The leaven naturally worked slowly but surely. The young Chinese began to think independently of their elders. This was naturally revolutionary. But this freedom idea began and continued to grow and in fact the young movement far outgrew the membership of the Christian church. The freedom of Christ ran much faster than the Christian church membership grew. This influence would not down.

One of the great leaders in this movement was Sun Yat Sen. He is known as the George Washington of China. He was a Christian and a real freedom-loving patriot. He did not confine his efforts to the bounds of the church, and thus this freedom idea began going into outside circles. It was being felt very much by the older elements in the Chinese society. Their graft, greed, and lordship were being undermined and their grip on things in general was losing.

One of their efforts to stay the oncoming freedom of nationalism is recorded as the Boxer uprising of 1900. The old conservative element organized with a determination to strike at the very thing that was having most influence to build up nationalism and at the same time weaken the grip of the old forces. They rightly said, "Christianity has caused our downfall, and if we can do away with Christians and Christianity we may be able to again get our hold on things as of ancient days." They did not take into account the fact that the freedom or nationalistic movement was much wider than the membership of the church. It was, and thus had they succeeded in killing all of the missionaries and all of the Christians they would have only partly done away with the great movement that we today call democracy in China. The Boxer movement was a failure. To be sure, many Christians and missionaries were put out of the way, but nationalism, instead of being put down, got an impetus to move forward. In 1902 the young movement came forward and made a demand of the empress dowager at Peking that the old system of examinations be done away with and that they adopt a real system of education, founded as some of the western countries had founded it and were carrying it on. A victory was won. The empress saw there was no future for her in the old conservative group, and so she played the game of using this method to get the good will of the young movement.

Not all of the youth movement were Christians, but practically every Christian belonged to the movement, regardless of his age. So one can see that Christianity, on the side, so to speak, had a wonderful influence in building up this idea for freedom and nationalism. This grew now with leaps and bounds as their new educational movement began to function.

The second stroke of the nationalists, under the leadership of Dr. Sun of Canton, was when the republic was set up in 1911. This

movement was supported by the Christians of the country, for, as they felt, it was a help to bring their freedom. So the Manchus, who were the ruling lords of China for several hundred years, went out of business and the progressive freedom lovers came into power. Dr. Sun was made the first president of the new republic.

Most of the new movement leaders were inexperienced in political and governmental affairs. They took with them some of the older leaders of the older days, who they thought had about become democratic, but in reality these old leaders were only just democratic enough to hold their positions and get fat salaries. At the same time they secretly clung to the old ways. Because of retaining these old fellows in office in some places, it began to look as though the republic would be a failure.

Factions grew, and in spite of all efforts of the nationalists, they themselves were crowded back until the militarists really got hold, and this bunch has been muddling the affairs of China for about ten years. The nationalists would not down. They continued to educate and get their leaders ready for responsible work. All of the returned students and nearly all of the students in school in China were staunch in supporting the nationalists.

They have stood fearlessly for a square deal at home and abroad. They want fair treatment for their nationals at home and abroad. They love peace and not war. The nationalists do not want to be warlike.

Among other things, funds were needed, and these young fellows could not get done what they wanted without money. They applied to several of the great powers, but no one would loan them money. This was hard for them to understand. Finally, in their desperation, they applied to Russia.

Russia came forward with money and advisers and incidentally flooded the country with their Bolshevistic literature. The nationalists are not Bolshevistic at heart, and so do not take up with many of the Russian ideas, even though they do accept Russia's help financially. Naturally this makes two parties in the nationalistic movement. One is more radical than the other. The conservative nationalists are many more than the others, and they insist on keeping away from the anti-Christian and anti-foreign elements. They want a square deal and insist that there be no anti-Christian demonstration. One can see that this element of the new movement is probably dominated by the Christians that are in the movement.

If the U. S. A. would come forward and offer advisers instead of marines, much more would be accomplished. The nationalists need sympathy, and in these hours of heavy taxing trials they need all the help that the missionaries and unselfish Christians everywhere can give. May God lead until all China knows how to love the freedom found in Christ.

EDITORIAL—MISSIONARY PICTURE LEAFLETS

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are intended for distribution to every Sunday-school pupil and others connected with the church.

Samples and order blanks were sent to the missionary committee representative of every church. Not all of the churches replied. Next a package of the leaflets was sent to the Sunday-school superintendents. They responded well, but even now, April fourteen, only 280 churches have placed orders. If you who read this find that the leaflets are not being distributed in your church, will you consult the proper officers and have your order sent in? Be sure to give the name of your congregation.

Missionary Ammunition for Ministers. An issue of Missionary Ammunition, dealing with the situation in China, is being prepared by Dr. Warnshuis and a group of furloughed missionaries from China. Its contents will include brief statements regarding the political developments and their meaning, the effect of these and other changes on the Christian churches, the meaning of governmental regulations for schools, the work of foreign missionaries and the need for their continued services, and other subjects of special interest in these days. The aim will be to supply pastors with reliable information which they may use in sermons, addresses and in other ways in their continued advocacy of missionary work in China. Painstaking care will be exercised in ensuring that the statements in the pamphlet will be accurate, true, and illuminating.

The price is 10c per copy. Send your orders to General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill.

China's Place in World Christianization

J. J. YODER

Member Board's Deputation to Foreign Mission Fields

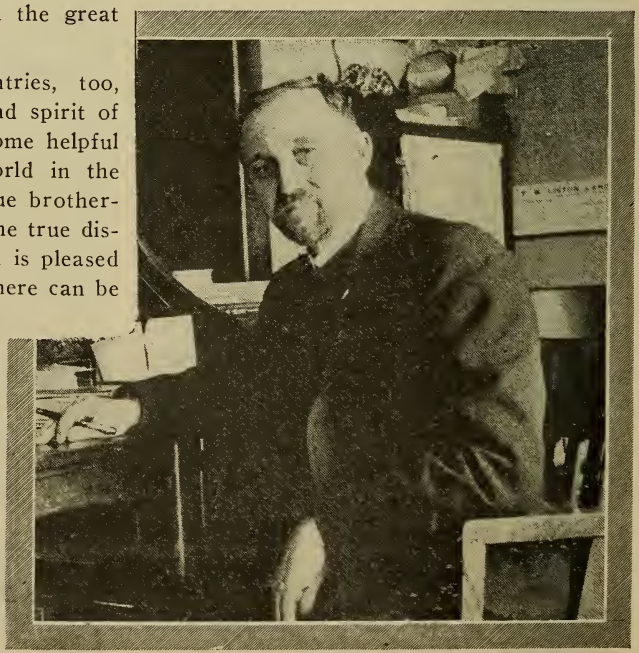
THE followers of Jesus feel the duty of teaching all nations and baptizing them into the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, as a sacred obligation and trust. There is no reason or excuse for overlooking any race or people. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on him should not perish, but have everlasting life." This marvelous declaration is universal in its significance. The Gospel must be proclaimed to all, for all are included in the love of God.

Africa with its backward peoples must not be neglected, for the love of Christ will make of them new creatures and build them up in the new and glorious life. India, the home of many religions, yet bound with the bonds of caste, forbidding the possibility of true and effective brotherhood, must be liberated by the love of the Savior of the world, who is able to make men free. Rich and poor, great and small, all must come into the love of "our Father who art in heaven," that all may have true fellowship with one another as brethren in the great divine family.

The so-called Christian countries, too, must grow much in the grace and spirit of the kingdom, that they may become helpful brothers to the rest of the world in the promotion of Divine love and true brotherhood among men. Everywhere the true disciples are men of goodwill. God is pleased only with men of goodwill, and there can be no peace except among men of goodwill. That is certain from the life of our Lord on earth. His was a life of love. Not one moment in it but was full of devotion to God and man. He went about doing good. The church of Christ exists for the purpose of bringing hearts of sin under the softening power of the love of Christ, to preach peace, and to declare God's promise to men of goodwill and to turn men throughout the world into men of goodwill.

In the light and spirit of what we have said in this introduction, we are ready to say that China has become the most strategic field in the program of human Christianization. Geographically it is most strategically situated. It occupies a large and central position among all the other eastern Asiatic countries. It extends into the heart of Asia to the west, reaches into the cold north and into the tropical balmy southland, with a wonderful variety of climate. It has a long and useful sea coast, with long, navigable rivers reaching inland, with rich undeveloped natural resources of minerals and of soil. China is bound to become tremendously important in the commercial affairs of the world of commerce and trade. No other country or combination of countries in all Asia will figure so tremendously in future world affairs as will China. Even now all eyes are watching China, and more and more is this bound to be true.

From the standpoint of population China



J. J. Yoder

is a marvel. At least one-fourth of all the living souls in the world are in China, and her neighbors in Asia have another one-fourth. It is simply astounding to contemplate the possibilities facing the future world by the awakening China. One is safe in saying that as China goes so will go the mighty East, and as the East goes so the West will necessarily shape its world program. China is going. She is no longer standing still or contented with a mute passivism. Will the forces of Christ be able to do their duty to China in time to save her from the threatening spirit of ill will and human hate? It is the greatest question facing the Christian world today. If China can be won to Christ and sincerely brought into possession of his Spirit the peace of the world will move forward a century. If we fail and the enemy succeeds, then the future program of "on earth peace," will look dark indeed. This is the time for real Christian work in China. Perhaps yesterday was more opportune, but we have only the present. This is no time at all to reduce forces or withhold money. We sometimes hear even missionaries talk of leaving China and turning the work over to the Chinese. In our judgment that is foolish talk, and such a course would be worse than folly. This is the time when the missionary must show that the love and goodwill of the Christ is not a mere theory, but a fact in the human heart. The missionary must demonstrate this wonderful fact in his daily contact with his Chinese brother. Then, too, the so-called Christian nations in their political and business dealings with China must point out by practice the justice and righteousness of Divine goodwill. Blundering now will be fatal.

If more men and women and money from our Christian churches can be properly used, there should be no hesitancy in furnishing both.

The enemy forces are on the ground and exceedingly busy urging China to take the pathway that leads to hate and sin and strife. We all have a responsibility here and must feel its urge. Our prayers and offerings and encouragement must go to the workers unstintingly. China is surely a strategic field in the Christianity of the world.

In the Tennessee Mountains

Daily Vacation Bible Schools in the Mountains of the Tennessee District

ETHEL A. GWIN, M. D., ANNA LAURA WHITE

THE five communities in which we taught were scattered from Northeastern Tennessee, Southeastern Virginia, to the extreme eastern part of Kentucky. To reach the last-named place we had to travel by the way of Bluefield, W. Va., to a little mining station called Kermit, a total distance of about 250 miles. From here we had a five-hour ride in a one-horse wagon to our desired destination up among the mountains. Surely no missionary on the foreign field ever enjoyed his oxcart drive more than we did this one.

It was on the morning of May 16 that we took the train at Boone, Tenn., and went to Kingsport. From here we went on the bus to Church Hill, where we were to be met. Anticipating a long wait we took our lunch, which we enjoyed eating. After waiting about two hours we resumed our journey up a steep mountain road for four miles. Our Ford could go no farther. We were



Ethel A. Gwin, M. D.
Anna Laura White

told that it was yet a mile to the church. After assuring our leaders we were good walkers, we started on the last stretch of our journey. Up one hill and down another we went, until we were positive we had walked two miles, when we came to the church on a hill. Here we found about fifty people assembled for an afternoon service.

As the work was new to these people we spent a good part of the hour explaining the nature of our work; then giving them some Bible stories, we left an appointment for 9 A. M. and an evening service the next day. This program continued for two weeks, except that we omitted the morning hours on Saturday. Men, women, and older children worked in the cornfield during the day, so a night session, consisting of half an hour song service, half an hour Bible lesson for the older ones, and special work for the children, completed the day's work. We learned that the people came out better when it rained, for then they could not work.

Here, as in all of the places we visited, practically everybody walked or rode horseback, as the roads were rough, steep, and poorly kept.



Miller's Chapel, Tennessee

The morning Daily Vacation Bible School crowd. There is no regular Sunday-school or preaching in this community.

Young people would hoe corn all day, then walk three, four, and even five miles to the services, even on dark nights. At one place some of the boys who cultivated the corn while their father was away working for the support of his family, would work until time for classes, attend, then go back and resume their work and also come to the evening hour. At another place a blind man about eighty years of age was led down a rough, rocky mountain road for two miles by his wife for the Sunday morning service. How he did enjoy helping sing the old, familiar hymns he had learned "by heart." This couple took dinner with relatives, then came back to the night service and walked back **up** the hill afterward.

Our program was somewhat similar at each place, except that if more convenient for the people the day service was in the afternoon. Everywhere people wanted a night service, including Saturday and Sunday at a few places.

What materials did we use? Bible stories, missionary stories, memory work, teaching songs and expressional work suitable for each lesson. The Bible stories were new to many of the children, for in some communities there were no Sunday-schools, and reading material was very scarce or lacking in the homes. The public schools in these mountain districts were one-room buildings, with one teacher only for all the grades, hence she naturally had little time for handwork, so this form of expression was new to them.

Aside from the regular teaching program, visiting in the homes took most of the remaining daylight hours. Walking through the woods was both tiresome and delightful. Ferns of many varieties, beautiful mountain laurel, and various other shrubbery and trees delighted one's eyes.

The people in every community were very hospitable. They seemed to think it a special privilege to entertain us after we had once become acquainted. We were told by several that they dreaded our coming for fear we might be "stuck-up," but this impression soon left them after they met us.

In the five communities we found one evergreen Sunday-school. Two others have Sunday-school during the summer months; three have preaching service once or twice

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God Swept the Road

A. D. HELSER
Missionary to Africa

Editor's Note. This message was written several months ago when Bro. Helser returned to Africa. For want of space it has not appeared sooner.

ABOUT a year ago we left Africa for our first furlough in America. Now we are back in Africa, after having spent a pleasant and profitable year with our brethren and friends.



Albert D. Helser

When we left Africa our black friends said, "May God sweep the road before you," and "Come back quickly." Now that we are back in their midst many say, "There is a God," "God is good," and "God swept the road before you."

It was a beautiful thought all through the year, that God was sweeping the road ahead, not only for his messengers but for his black people, too.

Tears of joy crept into our eyes as we caught the first glimpse of a host of our black friends—old fathers and mothers with their sons and daughters all wearing a smile of love. Quickly our minds went back to four years ago when the first missionaries of the Church of the Brethren came into Buraland. At that time we saw fear and distrust written on every face, for not one among them had ever heard the glorious story of the great God's redeeming love. They were in darkness mentally and within the shadow of death physically. They knew nothing of the love of the Christian teacher. They had never felt the healing touch of the Christian physician. But now within four short years a great light is beginning to break across the hills of Buraland. Many a young man is fleeing from the shadow of death and ignorance into the marvelous light of Christ the Savior.

All of this makes us very happy; it is a taste of heaven. The price that Garkidda has cost the church and her missionaries is quickly forgotten when we look at the prize.

We dare not dwell here, for we have taken but the first step. When we climb Garkidda mountain and turn our faces to the northeast we see in our mind's eye across a thousand miles of farms and villages where a Christian voice has never been heard. When we turn our faces to the north and west we see six million Mohammedans and many pagans who have never had a chance to enter the great open door to God.

God has swept the path before the messengers of the cross during the past four years. His messengers look to the future with courage and faith and joy. The harvest is white and ready. The church has been faithful to her God-given task in Africa during the past four years. What will the church do with this great unfinished task during the next forty years?

God is ahead, sweeping the way before you and before your missionaries. Will we walk in it? Inasmuch as ye do good unto one of these little ones ye do good unto Christ. Here in North Central Africa they stand, ten million strong, without hope and without God. Christ Jesus, we bring our promise and life pledge to thee. Take us and our possessions and use all to the salvation of our black brothers.

IN THE TENNESSEE MOUNTAINS

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each month by local talent; two have neither Sunday-school nor preaching service, unless some one happens in once in a great while. As for young people's meetings, or any effort to provide proper social activities, such are not considered. Why? Not because there are no fine young people, and older ones, too, who would welcome such, but for the lack of local leadership such cannot be carried on.

Johnson City, Tenn.

Drafted

L. A. BLICKENSTAFF
India Misison Treasurer

Editor's Note. This message from Brother Blickenstaff was requested for the April Student Volunteer number of the Visitor but for want of space was not published.

ONE day, after it was announced that I was going to India, an old brother said to me, "So you are going to India; I thought you were well satisfied here." I was not a volunteer for the foreign field, and I am not proud of it. I was drafted for service, and it was difficult to make the necessary adjustments. I have never regretted answering the call. There is joy in giving. "What is that in thy hand?"

Five years ago there was a forward movement in the Church of the Brethren. I was caught a victim in that movement, and as a result was moved to the other side of the world, to sun-baked, dark and sin-sick India. What did the forward movement of the church do to you? And how is the present forward program of the church affecting you? Do not be distressed if it moves you far from the country you love; far from home and all its ties; if it results in the ill health of your family; if it separates you for months from companion and children; if it means giving up your automobile, or delays indefinitely the purchase of a new one; or if it makes your pocket book very flat. It has done all of that to me, but still I am happy. It all depends on how one reacts.

Blessings cost something. Be sure of that. If your life service is a real blessing to others you will experience some of the distress, sorrow and pain endured by the Master when he redeemed the world from sin. Likewise, if giving what is in your hand is to be a true blessing, you will feel to some extent the cost of your contribution. It is said of Jesus that he himself knew that virtue had gone out of him. Have you given until it really hurt? How many have you known to go bankrupt supporting the Lord's work? The church in its forward movement may cause you suffering, but the pain will be sweet, and somehow the scars will not disfigure you.

Your representatives in foreign fields are exerting an honest effort to make most effective to needy men, women and children the blessing of your gifts. You have a right to expect that they shall not fail, for if they do they discount the blessing you wish to be to others. They ask you not to make less effective the blessing they would make of their lives in service, by withholding that which is actually required effectually to do the Lord's work. It is decidedly unfair for them to make any unwise use of your contribution to the cause, thus rendering your gift partially or wholly short of the blessing you intend. It is equally unfair for you to render your worker's service less efficient by withholding the material he must have to do the work.

Every member of the Church of the Brethren, at home and abroad, has a definite contribution to make toward the missionary program of the church. If any member, here or there, fails in his part, he not only robs himself of a blessing, but he discounts the contribution of his fellow-worker by limiting, just that much, the power and effectiveness of an every-member endeavor. A thoroughly devoted volunteer may have his life of service discounted because others fail to do their part. And a volunteer may allow his disappointment, in not being sent to a foreign field, to deafen him to other worthy calls, depriving needy souls of assistance and leadership, without which their contribution to the church is greatly reduced. Let us not discount each other's gifts.

We are workers together with the Lord. We expect him to do his part, and he does far more. He expects us to do our part; what are we doing? We expect each other to be faithful in the work. Are we? Have we prayed? Have we given what is in our hands?

Correction. We wish to correct a statement in the Picture Leaflet, "The Sun Never Sets on the Work of the Church of the Brethren," page four. One-half of our membership, 63,422, attend church in the open country. More than one-fourth of our total membership are located in the State of Pennsylvania.

News Notes from Foreign Fields

AFRICA NOTES FOR NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER

William M. Beahm

These months have taken us into the heart of the dry season. And it is cool nights we are having, too. It is all very well and good for us who have blankets and Nordic background. But these tiny sons of Ham, who get up early and light a fire to sit by, move one with compassion. They dance about, hugging themselves with nothing on but guinea skin and goose flesh. It makes one desire to give a blanket to every child in the valley.

Our school is one to be proud of. The attendance record would do credit to a military academy. Nothing has interfered with perfect attendance on the part of sixty boys except a small amount of sickness and a funeral. The near-by bush fires have fortunately occurred outside of school hours. So the boys have gotten their education without the loss of a single field mouse. It does one good to see them come in at sunset with soft, bulging pockets and black streaks of burnt grass soot all over their bodies and clothes, if any. They have made real progress in deportment, knowledge and spirit, when one considers how very raw they were four months ago. We welcome more workers to make their days more worth-while than ever. Also to care for their black brothers still back at home.

There is constant hurry in both building and cleaning up the Hawal valley against the coming of Christmas and our new workers. Industrial buildings, dwellings, and the school-church building are all being worked on. The school-church building has become an interesting project for the budding Christians. They have helped considerably in getting it repaired against the time of Christmas.

Christmas eve was spent by the fireplace fire and beside a Christmas tree. All the boys in school were present and received a small gift. One little cube of sugar creates great joy. On Christmas day we had a joint dedicatory and Christmas program, which was a big thing for the boys and near-by villagers. On Sunday the missionaries had a joyful time together, marred, however, by the slight illness of Dr. Gibbel. He has since recovered.

We have at last received the certificates of occupancy, giving us full legal right to be here at Garkidda. This also gives us a site for the new hospital on a hill across the road. We rejoice greatly over this. We have also sent Mr. Mallott and Mr. Helser east of here to choose a site among the Margi tribe in Northeastern Adamawa. These folk are very closely related to the Buras and use almost the same language. Our hopes of receiving permission to open a station there in the immediate future are very high.

God gives constant evidence of his concern for these people.

INDIA NOTES

Vada

Goldie E. Swartz

Some time ago a visit was to be made to a village school out in the jungle. The Ford glided over the macadamized road readily, and also went well through a part of the jungle road. Later, having crossed over a creek bed, now dry, a place was reached where there were deep ruts in the wheel tracks, making it impossible for the axle to pass over the higher ground. What to do? There was no pick or other instrument to dig away the obstruction, and the ground was too hard to break with bare hands. Presently one of the Indians thought of a plan, and taking a piece of canvas, which happened to be in the car, he, with the others helping, filled it with gravel from the creek bed and carried it to the ruts. In this way the depressions were soon filled and the axle passed over the projecting hindrance without any knowledge of its presence. In this experience came anew this thought: Rather than try to remove the obstacle, better is it to rise above and pass over.

About the work at Mongrol, where is located a boarding-school, opened last year, Mrs. Kaylor says thus: "The school has been operating with more or less success. It does one good to see the bright, active boys in attendance, to mingle with them and note their response to friendship. The work has its difficulties. The great need is that of workers—true, consecrated Christian people, with a desire to see souls saved. There is also some opposition, and more than once have the boys been frightened away from school by stories of their being defiled if they remain. However, we have been able to get them to return.

"Because of the big opportunity presented in this field it was thought wise this year that the touring missionary with his family spend the season at this place, rather than move about as is usually done. This makes it easier as far as the physical comforts are concerned, but this is of secondary importance when souls are at stake.

"Perhaps on no occasion was the friendliness of the people more appreciated than one evening while I was alone in camp. Just at dusk the grass roof of the little cook room caught on fire and in a few minutes was blazing merrily, threatening the tent and the whole touring outfit. The distressed cry for help reached the ears of the village people, and in an amazingly short time everyone was present working with a will to save the tent, for it was evident that nothing could save the grass hut. In spite of the hot blaze everything was saved except the evening meal, which was in the process of preparation, and a few minor articles. A new five-gallon tin of kerosene was all but forgotten. One went back and quickly scraped off blazing debris from on top and carried it out. Bad as the wreckage looked that evening, the expressions of sympathy cheered the heart and made one feel that truly the

milk of human kindness was not lacking even among these jungly folk. Before retiring that night the little group of Christians gathered to thank the Heavenly Father for the protection, without which the fire would have meant entire destruction. The next day a new cook room was built and the work went on as before."

Today a man walked fifteen miles, passing by the government dispensary, to get medicine from a missionary who is neither doctor nor nurse. Many thus come for help. For skin diseases, fevers and minor maladies we give such medical relief as we can in connection with our other work.

At present the Kaylors are out at Dahanu getting acquainted with little Myrtle Eilene, who came to join their family membership Feb. 4.

CHINA NOTES FOR FEBRUARY

Collected by Marie Brubaker

Show Yang

During the all-China Evangelistic Week the Christian women and girls coöperated in fine spirit. We met together each morning for prayers, and then divided into three or four groups, some going to near-by villages, some into the city, and some going by cart to more distant villages. We felt in a special way the blessings of our Heavenly Father during this week. The people seemed more open and more eager to listen to the Good News than ever before. One of the groups got into a home where a woman twenty some years ago, before the Boxer uprising, had heard the gospel story, and still had a carefully-preserved picture of the Prodigal Son, and was familiar with its story. How wonderful the Lord does lead into places we know not! May the seed planted years ago in this heart be nurtured until this woman comes to know the fullness of life which is in Christ our Savior.

Special effort was made during this time by the women workers to get in touch with former schoolgirls, to encourage them in their new homes (which are non-Christian) to live true to the teaching received in their school days. These girls, several of whom are Christians, have had no choice, for the most part, in the selection of the home into which they have been married. It is not easy for them to follow their own heart wishes. They need very much your help in prayer, that they may live true to their Savior and witness for him even in most adverse circumstances.

Our hearts rejoiced when in the village of Chang Tsun one fine Christian woman, Li Kai Mei, who had been in school but is now kept from coming by her husband, suggested that if she had some pictures she would be glad to teach the women in her village. Charts are being prepared. She is also planning to open a Sunday-school class just as soon as material can be provided. This is the spirit which will eventually evangelize China.

The Woman's school reopened Feb. 21, after the Chinese New Year. No pupils appeared until two days later, when one woman came in to read half a day. However, four days later four were in attendance. We hope the others will be coming in in a few days.

The schools opened Feb. 22 for the second half year. The boys and girls returned in fine spirits and the teachers are very busy again. The enrollment in the boys' school was increased by the arrival of eleven new pupils. The girls' school added seven girls. This is very interesting to us and pleasing as well. Because of the anti-Christian spirit among some of the people there was fear that the enrollment might decrease. We interpret this increase to mean that the community is learning to appreciate the work of the church in this department. We also believe that the Lord will use the schools to his glory. Since the criticism of the church last summer there has been an increased number of visitors at the school. Some remarked that it was a real philanthropic work by good people. We therefore believe that the opposition is creating interest which is helping the people to see and believe.

The week of evangelism was observed rather differently this year from what it has been in previous years. In place of going into villages and doing promiscuous preaching on the streets, we went in groups of two and three into the homes of Christians or of people we knew were friendly to the church. We received a welcome response in every village we attempted to visit. Bro. Ho and Bro. Hsun made several villages at a distance. There were two villages in each of which one Christian resided. Because of some opposition from the village people, Bro. Ho took advantage of the New Year season to go to these villages and explain the position of Christians in relation to idolatry and many other forms of heathen custom.

The Dragon festival was observed Feb. 16-18. The streets were beautifully decorated with lanterns and fires of various sorts. The people usually take advantage of this festival to visit the mission compound and foreign houses. The groups this year were large, but not as large as in former years. This gave us a better opportunity to make definite contacts for Christ. Among the guests of this festival were two families from about thirty miles out in the country. They came and lived at the mission compound. They are not Christian, but when we go to their village they take us into their homes and make us feel perfectly welcome. In this way they are getting a view of Christianity that they could not otherwise get.

We conducted two Bible classes during the month, one in the county seat of Yu County, the other in the west section of Yu County. Bro. Ho was in charge of these classes, and his report is not yet in. The people generally welcome us gladly in these two sections of the country. The boys' school in the county seat offers an unusually good opportunity for evangelistic work.

Ping Ting

The girls' school opened Feb. 21. The enrollment is a little better than last term. One little boy died a few days ago. Almost two years ago he was bitten by a dog with rabies. His wound healed, but

last week one day the dreadful disease broke out and the third day he died. It was so sad that such a fine little boy should meet such a fate. He was an orphan child and Sister Baker was taking care of him.

During the vacation most of the girls went home. The few who stayed were busy with sewing, especially making shoes for themselves and other members of their families. During the evangelistic week most of them went out each day, helping to sing and to tell the gospel story.

One of our girls wrote that she couldn't return to school this semester, as her father had no work. This man is a church member and formerly was employed as a lay evangelist, but because of some difficulties lost his position. Since then he hasn't been so warm-hearted toward the church, and would rather sell his girl for a big sum of money than to make an honest effort to help her finish her school work. Some one, who loves the girl, offered to pay the food money this term. Now she is back and promises to graduate in June, with honors. Oh, how we long and pray that this fine, intelligent girl may be permitted to prepare herself for a leader of her own people!

This month a number of our nurses in the hospital were made happy because of receiving word that they had passed their examinations. All during December they had worked hard, for besides their regular work they reviewed for the examination, which is given by the Nurses' Association of China. This examination took place Jan. 12. Eleven nurses took the examinations, seven taking the finals, and four the first part. Ten out of the eleven passed, one of the girls having failed in a minor subject. Thus we will have seven graduates this year. One of the senior boys said he prayed every day while he was taking the examination, that he might have a peaceful heart and a clear mind, and he promised that he would give two dollars to the Lord's work. Now he says the Lord has done his part and he expects to do his and give the money. It will mean more to him than to some of us in America, when we realize that his monthly salary is only $4.50. Another of the boy nurses said that he and three other boys had a prayer meeting together every morning before they went into the examination room. They feel that their prayers were answered, and they are more convinced than ever that God answers prayer. The graduation exercises will be held on Florence Nightingale's birthday, the 12th of May.

Since the first of the month the industrial work has been cut down for the women, as it has been impossible for almost three months to send packages to the States, and also impossible to get materials from the coast cities. The women are almost frantic, as times are so hard and they can hardly understand the reasons for not having the work. We ask that those of our people who are buying and selling the work will be patient until we can get the work to you. We need sales very badly to keep the work going, as our orders have been falling off some in the past months.

The Chinese spent this month in "getting over the New Year." It is their time for feasting, entertaining their friends, and the general holiday season. The foreigners were entertained and also took the opportunity to do some entertaining among their Chinese friends.

The second week of the month both men and women made a special effort to get into the homes of all the Christians in the city. The Christians seemed to appreciate the visits. Many of them have not been to church for a long time, and we feel a special effort should be made to get these children of God in closer communion with him. On Friday afternoon of this week all of the Christians were invited to come to the church for an hour of fellowship and a cup of tea together. How we do long to get our baptized Christians on fire for Christ, for if all the baptized Christians would win one it would not be long until we could live in a Christian China.

Liao Chou

The outstanding feature of this month was the observance of the Chinese New Year and the week of evangelism when we made a special effort to get all the Christians to leave their regular duties and bring Christ to those who know him not.

Four groups of men made daily visits to the near-by villages, as well as in the city. A special effort was made to become more thoroughly acquainted with a class of homes which we had never been able to reach. Our theme and message was, "Be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against principalities, powers, the rulers of the darkness of this world, and spiritual wickedness in high places."

There were ten bands of women, consisting of two or more, that went out to the section of the city assigned to them previously, and preached to the women in the homes. The four subjects were: "Do not drink wine"; "Advice to young mothers that they eat good food themselves and make a special effort to care for their own health and that of their children"; "Children, obey your parents"; "Worship of the true God." The retreat that was held the previous week, in which prayer had a great part, was found to be very helpful. Some time was also spent in this meeting to make plans complete. The daily prayer meetings held at the church each day before going out into the work also proved a great benefit to those who went out to preach. Each group visited in twenty or more homes during the week, and practically all of the homes in the city and suburbs were visited. We hope to do a great deal of follow-up work, by sending Bible women into the homes.

Sometime before the Chinese New Year we had three days of plans and prayers with the Christians, strengthening them for the temptations of these days. They talked over what was right for them to do at this time, and what was not right. This is the great time for worshiping the gods, and it is easy for the weak Christians to follow the old customs.

The Workers' Corner

The editor invites helpful contributions for this department of the Visitor

The Meeting of the General Mission Board

The regular April meeting of the General Mission Board was held April 20 and 21, prior to the meeting of the Council of Promotion on April 22. This was a regular quarterly meeting. Missionaries present were A. G. Butterbaugh and A. S. B. Miller from India; Mary Cline, Samuel Bowman, and Mrs. F. H. Crumpacker from China; Mrs. F. E. Mallott and Dr. Homer L. Burke from Africa.

Many of the items of business are such that they are of real interest to the church. Among them may be listed the following:

The China Mission Situation

Because of the revolution in China the American consul has advised all missionaries to leave Shansi Province in which we work. This advice is given, not because of any imminent danger, but because of a growing anti-foreign feeling throughout the country which might suddenly cause a real menace to foreigners. The general opinion of those acquainted with the situation is that missionary work will be best helped by temporary withdrawal from mission stations.

Our Board sent a cable to our missionaries who are now assembled at Tientsin, a coast city, authorizing the Field Committee to do as circumstances require in managing their interests. Authority was given, if they think best, for John Hollenberg and wife, E. L. Ikenberry and family, R. C. Flory and family, Emma Horning, and Elizabeth Baker to return to America at once. Permission was given, if the Field Committee finds it absolutely necessary, for others to come later. They were instructed to keep some one, or more, as near as possible to our work to conserve all the spiritual and property interests to the best advantage. The field was authorized to give financial aid to the Chinese workers to carry on the evangelistic work, and other phases of the work, as far as advisable.

New Missionaries Appointed

Dr. Russell Robertson and wife were appointed for service in Africa. Susan Stoner was appointed to go to India. The Board authorized the sending of a nurse to both India and Africa, and a doctor to India, this year. These workers are not yet selected, but the Board hopes to do this at its meeting at Conference in Hershey, Pa., June 8. The Board approved of Christina Masterton Kulp as a missionary to Africa. Visitor readers will recall that Miss Masterton recently became the wife of Mr. H. Stover Kulp. Her name, along with others, will be presented to the Hershey Annual Conference for approval.

Furloughs

Floyd E. Mallott, Clarence Heckman and wife, and William Beahm and wife, of the Africa mission, were granted furloughs to America for 1928.

Emma Horning, the only missionary on the China field due to come home on furlough next year, is coming this spring.

J. M. Blough, D. J. Lichty, L. A. Blickenstaff, with their wives and families, Olive Widdowson, B. Mary Royer, and Elsie Shickel, of the India field, were granted furloughs to America for 1928.

Formal approval was given for the return of Ernest Vaniman and family and Miss Grace Clapper, who have just arrived in America for health reasons.

Famine Relief

In certain parts of our India mission the crop shortage is so acute that the mission has pronounced it a semi-famine situation. The mission requested 5,000 Rs. for famine relief. The Board granted this sum, cabling

the mission permission to spend money up to this amount in employing needy people for improvements which have to be made on mission property. While the Board does not contemplate a large famine relief campaign in the home church, yet contributions for this India Famine Fund are urgently sought.

Rigid Physical Examinations

Because of serious losses in workers on account of health conditions, the Board authorized a committee to establish more rigid physical examinations for outgoing missionaries.

1,000 Rs. for Bible School

The India field requested 1,000 Rs. additional to their 1927 budget for Bible school work. The need for this money is because of a larger opportunity in Bible work than they had anticipated when the 1927 budget was presented a year ago. Rs. 1,000 equal $275.

Children's Allowances

The Board fixed the rate of children's support for missionaries in Africa at $120 for each child below six years of age, and $240 per year for those older than six.

Conference Budget for year ending Feb. 28, 1929

The Board authorized a proposed budget for all of its work for the year ending Feb. 28, 1929, as follows:

India	$168,000.00
China	75,000.00
Sweden	9,000.00
Africa	36,000.00
Home field	49,500.00
Administration	12,000.00
Missionary education, including Missionary Visitor,	16,000.00
Missionary relief	15,000.00
Church extension	10,000.00
Student loan	2,000.00
Total,	$392,500.00
Less expected income from sources other than donations	45,000.00
Total	$347,500.00

This budget to cover the proposed missionary work for the year mentioned will be presented to the Annual Church Conference for approval as submitted, or as the Conference may wish to change it.

Home Mission Grants

The Home Mission Department has arranged that the various Districts requesting financial assistance in this Home Mission work shall present their requests in the April meeting. This accounts for a rather large number of requests coming in at this time.

Approximately $34,000 was granted for various phases of Home Mission work.

$16,500.00 was granted as loans on church buildings.

Personal Solicitation

The Board authorized some financial solicitation among certain churches which have not been contributing to missions. Generally speaking, it is the plan of the Board that responsibility for raising missionary money shall rest with the local congregations.

In order adequately to prepare the business for the Board, the office needed to have typewritten more than eighty pages of closely typewritten matter. The Board appreciates the many prayers and keen heart interest on the part of the members of the Brotherhood in the missionary labors of the church.

H. Spenser Minnich.

EVANGELISM AND MISSIONS

A Missionary Sermon Outline By Evangelist Oliver H. Austin

Scripture—Rom. 1: 8-16 or 10: 1-15.

Text—Rom. 1: 16.

Slogan—"The best remedy for a sick church is to put it on a Missionary Diet."

INTRODUCTION—

The relation between Evangelism and Missions.

The Essential Missionary Character of Christianity—Matt. 28: 19-20.

Our Home Field.

Our Task and Program.

Create Evangelistic and Missionary Sentiment.

Create Sentiment for a Warless World.

Create Sentiment to Eliminate a Childless Church.

Create Sentiment for Christian Education that will furnish Missionaries and Ministers.

Create Sentiment for Evangelism from the Pew.

Create Sentiment for Christian Stewardship.

***Our Work Abroad.**

Our Beginning in Denmark and Sweden

Our Beginning in India.

Our Beginning in China.
Our Beginning in Africa.
I. THE OBLIGATION—Rom. 1: 14; 10: 14-15.
1. I am debtor—to India, China and Africa.
II. THE ARGUMENT—Rom. 10: 11-13.
III. THE AMBITION—Rom. 15: 20.
1. For I long to see you—Rom. 1: 11.
2. Making it my aim to preach—Rom. 15: 20.
IV. THE PASSION—Acts 16: 9-10.
1. The Vision of Paul.
V. THE MESSAGE—Rom. 1: 16.
1. Not a Theological Discussion.
2. But—WHAT? WHY? HOW?
1. The What?—I am not ashamed of the Gospel.
2. The Why?—For it is the power of of God unto Salvation.
3. The How?—To all that believe.
VI. THE SURRENDER—
1. Will we be like Jonah?—Jonah 1: 1-2.
2. Will we be like Moses?—Ex. 4: 10.
3. Will we be like Isaiah?—Isa. 6: 8.
4. Will we be like Paul?—Rom. 1: 15.
CONCLUSION.

*Note. Bro. Elgin Moyer's book, "Our Missions Abroad," is a splendid simple treatise of our foreign mission work. Price, 50c. Order from Brethren Publishing House, Elgin, Ill.

Missionary Program of Mt. Joy (Pa.) Congregation

(Editor's Note. The Missionary Committee of the Mt. Joy church has taken the right step in formulating plans for missionary work throughout the year. Missions requires activity, and a local church can accomplish its work far better by facing its task in some manner similar to this.)

I. Organization.
1. Missionary Committee.
(1) Chairman—Mr. L. R. Fox, Mt. Pleasant, Pa.
(2) Vice-chairman—Mrs. S. A. Summy, Mt. Pleasant, Pa., R. 2.
(3) Secretary—Martha Neiderhiser, Mt. Pleasant, Pa., R. 2.
2. Set time for meeting—second Tuesday of each month.
3. Committee has charge of all missionary activities and program of the church.
II. Program.

First Quarter.

1. First Month.
1. Semimonthly Ladies' Aid.
2. Third Sunday, Missionary Day in Sunday-school.
(a) Regular offering.
(b) Talk.
(c) Picture fact leaflets.
(d) Weekly envelope system.
(To be used each month.)
2. Second Month.
(a) Regular program.
(b) Third Sunday Evening—special program and offering.
3. Third Month.
(a) Regular program.
(b) Missionary sermon and prayer service (Third Sunday).

Second Quarter

1. First Month.
(a) Regular program.
(b) Church School of Missions (Africa).
(c) Slides on Africa.
2. Second Month.
(a) Regular program.
(b) Church School of Missions.
(c) Lecture by returned missionary, Conference offering and Visitor subscriptions.
3. Third Month.
(a) Regular program.
(b) Church School of Missions.
(c) Missionary sermon (Third Sunday).

Third Quarter

1. First Month.
(a) Regular program.
(b) Poster contest in Y. P. D.
2. Second Month.
(a) Regular program.
(b) Special program and offering (Third Sunday).
3. Third Month.
(a) Regular program.

Fourth Quarter

1. First month.
(a) Regular program.
2. Second Month.
(a) Regular program.
(b) Play or pageant and Thanksgiving offering.
3. Third Month.
(a) Regular program.
(b) Missionary address, slides or lecture.

(Outside Talent)

The Women's Department

Conducted by Nora M. Rhodes

AID SOCIETY PROGRAM FOR HERSHEY CONFERENCE

Worship Period.
A Pageant—The Needle Pushers.
Poem written by Mrs. Ida Snavely.
Reader—Mrs. Edna Thomas Wetsel.
First Scene—Aid Society Group.
Second Scene—India Hospital Group.
Third Scene—China Group.
Fourth Scene—India Boarding School Group.
Fifth Scene—Greene County School Group.
Sixth Scene—Africa Group.
Song—"Take My Life and Let It Be."
Offering.
Business Period.

NOTES BY GENERAL AID SOCIETY PRESIDENT

Sitting in a foreign missionary conference some months ago, I was impressed as never before, with what Christ and his coming into the world has meant to womanhood. Here Christian men and women sat side by side, earnestly discussing ways and means of winning the world for Christ. As speaker after speaker told of the needs of many heathen lands, and especially of the downtrodden and degraded condition of the women, one could not but contrast the happy, contented women of our Christian land with the unhappy, hopeless ones of heathen countries. And then the thought came, are we, the women so richly blessed, doing all we can for our poor sisters who walk in darkness? Will not we, the women of our church, do everything in our power to bring happiness and Christian joy to those who know not Christ? We must if we would pay the debt we owe to them and to our God.

The Day of Prayer for Missions has come and gone. To some of us this was a new experience and a most blessed one. Our little band of women at Linville Creek entered into this service most earnestly, each one present taking part, and all came out of it feeling that they had been revived spiritually, by unitedly praying for the missions and missionaries of the whole world. We are already planning for a fuller service next year. It would be interesting to know how many groups of women in our church observed this day.

Mrs. J. J. Johnson of Springfield, Ohio, suggests that as we are planning to have an Aid Society exhibit at our Conference, each society send in something for this exhibit, and that after displaying the articles for a few days, they be sold and the funds given to the General Mission Board. A fine idea, which we hope can be carried out.

Mrs. J. C. Myers.

Last year the following Districts had the largest receipts in Aid Society work:
Southern Ohio, $11,944.59.
Western Pennsylvania, $8,913.38.
Northern Indiana, $8,115.58.
Middle Indiana, $6.859.93.
Eastern Pennsylvania, $5,949.11.
Northern Illinois, $5,735.88.
Southern California, $5,312.94.

ECHOES FROM THE DISTRICT SECRETARIES

Southern Ohio—Mrs. J. A. Robinson, Secretary

Feb. 16, 1927, the ladies of the Southern Ohio Aid Societies experienced another very profitable meeting. This was our third annual District Aid Society meeting and was held in the Brookville church. The attendance and interest grow a little stronger each year.

This year we were very fortunate to have Sister Ruth Mallott, returned missionary from Africa, and Sister C. C. Sollenberger, returned missionary from China, with us.

Each brought a message, which added much interest to the meeting.

Our District now has 42 societies. We are not quite 100%, but hope to attain this perfection before long. West Dayton heads the financial list, with an income of $1,788.10 this year. This society serves dinners at the church twice a month. They have won the confidence of the people by serving splendid meals at a reasonable cost, hence their patronage is quite large and they are able to do big things. The Bradford society comes second, with an income of $1,274.21. This society has won some fame by making good sugar cookies. These are made at the church and sold while warm. They also had several food markets during the year. Trotwood society comes third, with an income of $1,058.63. This society does beautiful handwork. Their motto seems to be, "All things made well and neat." They have ready sale for most of their material. They came to this meeting with a delegation of fifty women. Other societies have splendid reports and are engaged in many activities. Last year our total receipts were nearly $13,000, a gain of nearly $2,000 over the previous year.

We feel our District Aid Meeting has been quite beneficial to us. Each year we have an exhibit room. Each society is asked to bring one or more articles for display. In this way patterns and ideas are exchanged and sometimes the articles are sold.

Western Pennsylvania—Mrs. L. S. Knepper, Secretary

Our records show a steady growth in the Aid Society work of our District, until at the present time we have 43 active societies, with an approximate enrollment of 900 members, thus doubling the number of societies as well as the enrollment during the past five years. I attribute this increase in numbers and interest to two things, namely the "semiannual District gatherings" and "A unified program."

Our semiannual District gatherings are held in conjunction with our General District Meeting in the spring of the year, either March or April, and in conjunction with our District Sunday-school Convention in August. Prior to each of these meetings the officers of the District arrange a program for the time allotted to us. At the spring meetings we are given the privilege of holding both a forenoon and afternoon meeting, and at the August meeting we have one two-hour period. After the program has been arranged the secretary usually prints the same, together with a letter of invitation, and sends it to all of the societies in the District. Frequently these letters are also mailed to some women in the congregations where no societies have yet been organized. This has a tendency to make them feel that they are wanted to join in this great work of the kingdom, and often has been the means of the organization of a new society.

I here purpose to give a little explanation of the manner in which our meetings have been conducted in the past. Six years ago, when I became secretary, we usually held just one short meeting in some small room of the church, but as the interest grew and the attendance increased, the brethren in charge of locating the places in the church for the various Conferences have given us the main audience room, and at the last Conference the room was entirely filled. In the spring meeting we hold the election of officers and such other business as we feel is necessary for the success of the work. This year we adopted the budget system. Following the business session we conduct an open forum. Our August meetings are largely inspirational.

The Unified Program. Up to five years ago our District was united on the one project as promoted by the general organization, but in 1922 we decided to work unitedly in helping to promote the erection of mission churches in our District, in addition to helping the general organization. The interest began to increase, and for the year 1926-1927 we adopted a budget which included $400 for the Ruth Royer Kulp Memorial Hospital, $500 for the Home Mission Building Fund, $200 for District Old Folks' Home, and $100 for general expense. I am happy to state that while every society did not contribute to every item, all contributed to at least one, and we were able to meet our obligations.

The societies do numerous things to replenish their treasury. Most of them do quilting and fancy work. Others serve meals in the church or at public sales. Many

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THE JUNIOR MISSIONARY



Prepared by Anna Miller, Chicago

Dear Juniors: Run and ask your mother if she has an empty baking powder can. Now see if you can decorate it in some manner as suggestive as this. It's to be a receptacle for "Our Black Brothers' Fund." I think there are some artists among you, and I would really like to know how you do it. The little metal "black brother" in the slot at the top nods his thanks every time you drop a coin. Wouldn't it be fun to drop something in often, just to see him nod so happily?

It's all for the sake of Nigeria. But don't pronounce it "nigger-y." "Negro" is the proper, generic name for the black people, and they accept it, the same as we whites accept "Caucasian" as a race name. Some of these black folks are sprinkled all over this country. If you want to insult them, call them "niggers." But I can hardly conceive of any one trying to be a missionary, and teach the love and patience of Jesus to all men, deliberately insulting those whom they are trying to help by calling them offensive names. How would you like to be called "Chink," "Dago," or some other uncomplimentary name? And maybe you are saying "dear brother" in the same breath! The Golden Rule works both ways!

A bunch of Juniors at Harrisburg, Pa., made "barrels of money" last year for Liao Chou. They are on tiptoes to do the same thing this year for "Our Black Brothers." Barrels and baking powder cans are first cousins! I am wishing every one of you the best kind of luck this summer, whether it is raising rutabagas, digging ditches, shining shoes, canning cherries, or building birdhouses!

Aunt Adalyn.



Kapable Kiddies, of Troutville, Va., Who Helped Put Liao Chou Across. Picture sent by W. M. Kahle.

Which Way Shall They Turn?

(A Story to Be Used in Presenting the Africa Poster to Children)

LOLA HELSER
Missionary to Africa

A SHEPHERD boy came home whistling with his flocks of sheep and goats. In his country there are no fences, and so he had to watch his father's flocks from the corn. The sheep and goats were to spend the night in a little round mud hut, the only opening being securely shut to save them from becoming the prey of the wild beasts in the country round about.

As our shepherd-boy friend neared his father's compound, or enclosure, the flocks began to shy off and he heard a strange voice within. It was that of the missionary "malam," or teacher, who was visiting with his mother and blind father. Could it be that they were talking about him? Yes, he heard them mention his name, Anjugwi.

There was a halt in the conversation. The missionary greeted him and stepped to the background while the sheep and goats trotted into their tiny fold. The visitor made a few friendly comments about the flocks and then asked our little shepherd boy if he would not like to come to school. He grunted a hearty assent, for he had had a few days' taste of school before his father's corn was planted.

The missionary left this pagan compound with quite a definite promise that the bright-eyed Anjugwi would be at school the next day. School was held the following day without him. Upon further inquiry of the mother at the market that day she told of all the work he had to do at home and of the flocks to tend. It seemed that the parents had changed their minds overnight.

A few days passed and the blind father was sent for by the missionary. The missionary was in need of a boy to help get some ground ready for planting. He proposed to the father that the little shepherd boy should work for him a couple of hours each morning. He would allow him to attend the school until about noon, watch the flocks all afternoon, and then work a little more in the evening, for which he would receive a reasonable wage. There was no more complaint about all the work Anjugwi had to do at home, for now little Anjugwi was to add a few precious pennies to the father's meagre fortune.

Thus it was that our little shepherd boy began coming to our home each morning and in the evening until about dark, when he would go to sleep on a grass mat on the floor of a mud hut with his mother and dear little sister and brother. We found him most faithful and willing. So many of the boys would shirk their duty, but he was a little man from the very start. One was tempted to impose on him. He was nicknamed "didu," or apt, by his classmates, for he was quick to learn. He was learning to read and write and count and his pagan parents were beginning to take notice of him. He loved to hear the story of Joseph and his shepherd brethren, for they lived much the same then as our Bura people do now. Did not David carry a sling to throw stones much the same as he was used to doing? And it was the shepherd men that first came to see the Baby Jesus, about whom he had been hearing so much. Our little shepherd boy was getting lessons of cleanliness, thrift and fair play. Most of all he loved to learn new Christian songs in his own language, so that he could go home and teach them to his little brother and sister.

A month or so passed and the corn was harvested. There was no longer need for the flocks to be taken to pasture. Anjugwi worked with the missionary all day except school hours. He and the other black boys met for evening prayers with the missionary. They sang their choice Christian songs. He listened to some of the other boys breathe prayers for all of the missionaries and their work; for the black boys and girls, that they might be quick to learn in the school; for the sick at the hospital; for God's people in America who sent the missionary teachers to them; and for all their own people, that they might be saved through the blood of Christ that was shed for all. Finally one evening the missionary asked Anjugwi

to pray. He uttered a few faltering sentences and then tried to lead in praying the Lord's Prayer. He forgot when he was about halfway through. Another boy prompted him and finally the ordeal was over. The missionary tried to compliment him on this fine beginning; some of the other boys encouraged him and others were tempted to laugh. Thus it was that our little shepherd boy learned to talk with our loving Father whom his parents knew but to fear.

The time came that he became feverishly ill. He was given quinine by his missionary mother and released from his work. He lay by the warm fire with a blanket about his body and thought of his own mother. Soon she appeared on the scene and, in spite of the kind care of the missionary, he went to his pagan home to undergo his mother's treatment for fever and headache, that of bleeding the nose. He was soon well and back at work, still faithful in turning over nearly all of his wages to his pagan father. For was he not their little son and taught by the missionary to love and honor his father and mother? The little sister and brother in the home would often beg to bring his daily portion of food, but they were usually too bashful to say a word in the presence of the missionary.

Day by day Anjugwi has learned more of the white man's ways and of the Christ whom he has come to tell them about. After scarcely three years of contact with the missionary he is beginning to tell the Story. He is getting to the age when he can understand a little of what it means to be a Christian.

But what of the religion that some of his black brothers are teaching in many villages? Are these teachers not of the same color of skin? The Mohammedan "malams" or teachers are also teaching to read and write and telling of one God. Their script is different from that of the white man's. They, like the white man, teach against drinking beer, but teach that a man may have more than one wife. Their belief in charms is much the same as that of the pagan. Their God is too merciful to punish for sin, and heaven is more like this life. They tell the black people that the white man's religion is a lie.

All this propaganda must be thought over by our little shepherd boy. He had learned to love and confide in the missionary as well as his mother. The missionary refers him time and again to our sinless Christ and Savior, quoting many passages from the Bible, and especially those found in the Bura translation of Mark's Gospel, which Anjugwi can read. The missionary's life and teachings are weighed in the balances along with the life and teachings of the Mohammedan "malam." Our little shepherd boy is not slow to recognize the joy in the home of the missionary where the one and only wife has equal rights with the husband and is really loved by him. The little white babe is fondled and cleanliness and purity abound. The Mohammedan "malam" conceals his wives in their little filthy huts. The bright-eyed shepherd boy chooses to bow at the feet of Jesus. The missionary's heart is full of joy over the salvation of this precious boy.

But what of the many other black boys and girls who have not yet heard of the missionary or our Christ? Those who are not touched by the lives and teaching of Christian missionaries? Are we willing to trust them to the salvation offered by the Mohammedan teachers, who jeer at our Christ? WHICH WAY SHALL THEY TURN?

The left picture on our Africa Poster shows the hero of our story—our little shepherd boy, Anjugwi. In the middle picture you can see many of his classmates in the mission school at Garkidda. Each one must decide in his own mind whether he will accept the teachings of Mohammed or make Christ King of his life. The picture on the right might represent the future of our little black girls—the burdens they must bear in their native state of servitude—if we fail to share the blessings of God. WHICH WAY SHALL **WE** TURN? Shall we take the road that means the giving of lives and of our means to preach the Gospel to our black brothers and sisters, or shall we keep the Gospel to ourselves alone?

NOTE: THIS AFRICA POSTER MAY BE OBTAINED FREE BY WRITING TO THE GENERAL MISSION BOARD, ELGIN, ILLINOIS.

Every Junior should read pages 132 and 133. The work of the church must rest on the shoulders of the children now and to a larger extent as they grow older.

AND THE BALL IS STILL ROLLING

Pleasant Chapel, Indiana (Northern District)

During the past summer the children of our Sunday-school gathered funds for Liao Chou. Some raised chickens, some planted potatoes, and the Sunday-school gave us the children's class offering of the first Sunday in each month. In December we brought the funds together. Upon counting we found we had $30.40. At this time we gave a short program, telling what we had tried to do and why. It has been interesting work, and we hope it may bear fruit in years to come.

Ashley, Ind. Mrs. Roy Kanage.



Peters Creek Junior League at silent prayer. Leader Emma Garst appears with them. Not all the Juniors were present. Picture sent by W. M. Kahle.

Sidney, Indiana

Last spring one brother gave the children six dollars, and they brought almost fifty-two back. This spring another brother is giving the quarters, and the children are very much interested. We had two little beginners that brought over six dollars apiece last year.

Mrs. E. P. Tridle, Supt. Primary Dept.



Jubilant Juniors of Bonsacks, Va., Who Jumped at the Chance to Help Liao Chou. Picture sent by W. M. Kahle.



Juniors of Boise Valley Sunday-school. They all took dimes last spring and returned as high as $5.00 apiece. Picture sent by their teacher, Mrs. Russell Brockus, Meridian, Idaho, R. 1.

Washington, D. C.

My class of little folks, thirteen in number, ages seven to nine, are earnestly at work for "our black brothers." Stanley Miller, age eight, deserves special mention, since he, besides selling candy, cards and papers amounting to several dollars, recently contributed one dollar, a gift from his grandfather. We have some enthusiastic workers among our Juniors. Sara Garber.

331 Fifth St., S. E.

Peters Creek, First District of Virginia

The Junior Church League was organized May, 1926. As the leaders each have Sunday-school classes, they take regular turns at arranging the programs. These are given twice a month, to a public audience. Some of the boys and girls had project work. They gave one-tenth to Liao Chou, which amounted to $14.80. We expect every Junior to have a project this year for Africa. They are always ready to accept the tasks assigned and willingly do their best. We use Sister Heckman's programs and like them very much.

L. S. Shepherd, Mrs. Maggie Garst, Mrs. Emma F. Garst, Junior Leaders.

BY THE EVENING LAMP

Dear Aunt Adalyn: May I enter your circle? I have never written before, but I enjoy reading the leters from the Juniors. I am thirteen years old, and in the seventh grade. I have a good teacher. I have three brothers and three sisters. My little brother was four in April. We go to the Brethren church at Fruitland, Idaho. We all belong to it except my little brother and my sister. The name of my Sunday-school class is "Golden Gleaners." I think that is a good name. We live about a mile and a half from town. We go to school on a school



Two Liao Chou Prize Winners, Mildren Walden, Who Earned $32.20; and Harry Bovey, Who Earned $35.00. Picture sent by Naomi C. Evans, Secretary Missionary Committee, 4631 49th St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

truck. I would like some girls to write to me. I would gladly answer their letters.

New Plymouth, Idaho. Orphea High.

Do you have paved roads in Idaho? "Fruitland" sounds as if it would be a good place to live for hungry folks!

Dear Aunt Adalyn: My birthday is Aug. 4. I was baptized at Easter last year. I am eleven. I like to go to Sunday-school very much. Mrs. Fink is my teacher. My father is the pastor. Mrs. McPherson is my public school teacher. I am in the sixth grade. My brothers' names are George and Eugene. Eugene is the baby. My sisters are Thelma and Ruth. I wish some of the Juniors would write to me. Sarah E. Weaver.

White Cottage, Ohio, Box 122.

Easter is a beautiful time to be born again. If all souls were blooming with heavenly graces and virtues, what a wonderful world this would be to live in! I guess heaven couldn't be much better.

NUTS TO CRACK

Hidden Vegetables—Dig Them Up!

1. There goes the bee that stung you.
2. When I make the turn, I park at the curb.
3. He threw into the pot a tough piece of meat.
4. Look there, Tom; a torch leads the procession.
5. Tell Conrad I shall be over soon.
6. Climb on; I only wish I had a bigger wagon.
7. "Father" is called in Syriac "abba"; get out your dictionary.
8. How can these things be? answer me that.
9. I have as strong a hope as you do.
10. He made the wheel of his car rotate rapidly.

Pieces of Money—Earn Them!

1. He drove the Saracen to another country.
2. That new china cup has a nick, Eleanor.
3. The room grows dim every night about this time.
4. I will pay you for a quart, Erma.
5. You're too big to play with a doll, aren't you, Susan?
6. He rolled down this hill ingloriously.
7. Put your boat out to sea, Glenn.

(Answers next month)

APRIL NUTS CRACKED

Dissected Word.—Student Volunteers.

Cities Where Foreign Missionaries Are Working.—1. Anklesvar. 2. Liao Chou. 3. Jalalpor. 4. Shou Yang. 5. Garkidda. 6. Palghar. 7. Umalla. 8. Tai Yuan.

ECHOES FROM DISTRICT SECRETARIES

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sell household necessities, such as extracts, rust remover, magic cleaner, rug cleaner, silver polish, and paring knives. The sewing includes cushions, clothespin bags, prayer coverings, aprons and sunbonnets. Still others sell Scripture Text calendars, take Larkin orders, jello orders, and some observe Donation Day, at which time every one in the congregation is given an opportunity to make some donation to the society.

Northern Indiana—Mrs. George Sherck

The Aid Societies of Northern Indiana, forty in all, have finished a very successful year financially, and I believe spiritually and socially. There are some that report 100% membership and one Aid reported all the members, men as well. This is obtained by handing out offering bags to each one to be brought in at the close of the year, also by soliciting all the sisters for supplies for sale dinners. Another is planning work that every one can do. During the year about $6,500 was taken in. Much of the money was used in the home churches, although they are coming across nicely for the Africa hospital.

But money-making is not the great aim of some of the Aids, I am sure. Visiting the shut-ins, sending flowers and Christmas greetings, helping those in need without pay. Hundreds of garments were made and sent away, also many quarts of fruit. Some Aids do not have a very big showing in money receipts, but eternity will reveal the good that has been accomplished. One small Aid increased its interest by coöperating with another denomination that also had a small Aid, by having their Aids at different times, so they could attend each other's meetings. It not only increased interest but formed a lasting social tie.

Dear sisters, in the year that is before us, let us not be so busy making money that we forget the one great aim of the Aid, that of saving souls.

Reports of the work of the other Districts will be given in a later number.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Conference Offering, 1927. As of March 31, 1927, the Conference (Budget) offering for the year ending February 29, 1928, stands as follows:
Cash received since March 1, 1927 .....$ 13,029.13

(The 1927 Budget of $408,300.00 is 3.2% raised, whereas it should be 8.3%).

Mission Board Treasury Statement. The following shows the condition of mission finances on March 31, 1927:

Income since March 1, 1927	$ 17,230.96
Income same period last year	16,987.10
Expense since March 1, 1927	23,423.73
Expense same period last year	19,354.45
Mission deficit March 31, 1927	15,077.38
Mission deficit February 28, 1927	8,884.61
Increase in deficit for March, 1927	6,192.77

Tract Distribution: During the month of February the Board sent out 4,826 doctrinal tracts.

Correction No. 16. See April, 1927, Visitor under World-Wide Missions. Of credit of $70.99 to Eel River cong. Mid. Ind., $64.60 of this has since been designated for Junior League 1926 as raised by their children.

Correction No. 17. See Nov., 1926, Visitor under Sweden Mission. Credit of $50.00 to Annville Aid Soc., E. Pa., has since been refunded.

Correction No. 18. See March, 1927, Visitor under Africa Mission. Credit of $3.25 to Eliz. Kenner (Walnut Valley) should have been listed under S. W. Kansas.

Correction No. 19. See Sept., 1926, Visitor. Under Conf. Budget of credit of $406.25 to Trotwood Cong. So. Ohio, $200.16 has since been designated for support of Elizabeth Oberholtzer.

Correction No. 20. See March, 1927, Visitor on page 88 under Conf. Budget Designated. Contribution of Blue River S. S. No. Ind., $16.55 has since been designated for support of Minerva Metzger and Mary Schaffer.

Correction No. 21. See March, 1927, Visitor under World-Wide Missions in contribution of $23.34 credited to Pleasant Valley, No. Ind., $2.00 of this should have been indicated as from Mrs. Nancy J. Kline.

Correction No. 22. See April, 1927, Visitor under World-Wide Missions, Southern District of Ohio. The first item shows a credit of $97.00 to congregation but failed to give the name, which is Donnels Creek.

February Receipts. The following contributions for the various funds were received during February:

WORLD-WIDE MISSIONS

Alabama—$8.00
Cong.: Oneonta, ...$ 8.00

Arizona—$32.44
S. S.: Glendale, $29.44; Indv.: B. F. Glick, $3, ... 32.44

Arkansas—$30.00
First Dist., Indv.: W. H. Clark, ... 10.00
N. W. Dist., Indv.: R. S. & Ella Rust, .. 20.00

California—$363.53
No. Dist., Cong.: Reedley, $18.21; No. 96501 (Lindsay) $20; No. 96110 (Lindsay) $2.50; Effie Metzger (Lindsay) $10; D. L. Whisler (McFarland) $15; A. J. and Maude Frick (Empire) $14; S. S.: Chowchilla, $17.09; Oakland, $9.50; Rio Linda, $8.75; McFarland, $26.49; Indv.: Mrs. W. B. Wilson, $2, ... 143.54
So. Dist., Cong.: Hemet, $28.97; 1st Los Angeles, $96.86; Long Beach, $9.16; San Diego, $65; Henry Harnish (Covina) $20, ... 219.99

Canada—$15.51
Cong.: Merrington, $5.90; Miss C. Rinehart (Bow Valley) $5; S. S.: Merrington, $4.61, 15.51

Colorado—$33.00
E. Dist., Cong.: A. A. Heaston (Antioch) $5; H. P. Lehman (Denver) $25; Indv.: J. E. Akers & Family, $3, ... 33.00

Florida—$17.57
S. S.: Sebring, $16.57; Indv.: Unknown donor of Orlando, $1, ... 17.57

Idaho—$5.00
Cong.: J. B. Lehman (Nezperce) 5.00

Illinois—$270.80
No. Dist., Cong.: Batavia, $7.82; Mt. Morris, $100; Shannon, $10.25; Elgin, $21.03; Mrs. Mary Barton (1st Chicago) $5; Mrs. Bertha Lemler (1st Chicago) $1; Mrs. W. W. Lehman (Dixon) $.90; M. D. Wingert & Wife (Franklin Grove) $40; S. S.: Sterling, $7.88, 193.88
So. Dist., Cong.: Okaw, $17.48; Virden, $4.77; Canton, $6.14; Romine, $3.70; Belle Huber (Girard) $1; Lloyd Pruitt (Virden) $35; Mary Hester (Girard) $1; S. S. Woodland, $5.83; Indv.: J. M. Angle, $1; Mrs. R. E. Young, $1, ... 76.92

Indiana—$2,463.05
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Clear Creek, $48.22; Plunge Creek Chapel, $10.27; Andrews, $55; Flora, $171.98; Manchester, $600; W. Manchester, $93.24; Mexico, $224.41; Logansport, $2.77; So. Whitley, $27; Cong. & S. S.: Loon Creek, $50; Eel River, $64.77; C. Walter Warstler (M. N.) (Huntington) $1.50; Mabel Mower (Manchester) $2; S. S.: Roann, $5.89; Beaver Creek, $19.51; Manchester, $48, ... 1,424.56
No. Dist., Cong.: Pleasant Valley, $137.28; Bremen, $20; Spring Creek, $2; Cedar Lake, $55; No. Liberty, $12.20; Bethany, $120; Pine Creek, $57.60; La Porte, $8.93; Wakarusa, $30.50; Nappanee, $61.21; Maple Grove, $30; Elkhart City, $156; Ivan Holdeman (Elkhart) $50; No. 96108 (West Goshen) $10; Mrs. John E. Weaver (Rock Run) $2; Estella Myers (Wakarusa) $25; Lee R. Cory (Bethel) $5; S. S.: Auburn, $7.21; "Sunshine" Class, Oregon (Blissville) $15; Yellow Creek, $6; Aid Soc.: Elkhart City, $25; Mt. Pleasant Aid Soc. (Yellow River) $10, ... 845.93
So. Dist., Cong.: Anderson, $23.79; Nettle Creek, $12.19; Rossville, $12.63; Middletown, $5.53; Esta Lannerd (Nettle Creek) $15; Laura E. Lynch (White) $5; D. T. Bailiff (Noblesville) $2.50; No. 95945 (Buck Creek) $10; S. S.: Four Mile, $50; Union Grove (Mississinewa) $35.56, ... 172.20

Iowa—$288.15
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Cedar, $4.93; Panther Creek, $47; Melissa McMulin (Prairie City) $5; S. S.: Des Moines, $35.86, ... 92.79
No. Dist., Cong.: Greene, $13.69; Spring Creek, $3.11; Mary S. Newsom (So. Waterloo) $4; Geo. & Eva Brallier (Curlew) $10, 30.80
So. Dist., Cong.: Fairview, $100; Ottumwa, $37.06; Ada I. Correll (English River) $2; L. A. Miller & Wife (No. English) $15; Homer Caskey (M. N.) (Salem) $.50; S. S.: Mt. Etna, $5; Aid Soc.: Council Bluffs, $5, 164.56

Kansas—$539.23
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Central (Kans. City) $27.50; Topeka, $42; Washington Creek, $17.56; John B. Beckner & Wife (Appanoose) $100; Mrs. Geo. Manon (Abilene) $2; W. A. Kinzie (M. N.) (Kansas City) $.50; Effie Steffey (Ozawkie) $1; Shuss Family (Sabetha) $15; C. W. Shoemaker & Wife (Appanoose) $30; J. S. Sherfy (M. N.) (Overbrook) $.50; S. S.: Oakland (Topeka) $10.50; Olathe, $8.86; District Meeting held at Appanoose, $72.24, ... 327.66
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Osage, $50; S. S.:

Mont Ida, $8.30; To the Memory of the wife and mother of W. H. and Orlin Sell (Fredonia) $10; J. W. & A. L. Eikenberry (Independence) $5; Lizzie Shank (New Hope) $5, ... 78.30

S. W. Dist., Cong.: Garden City, $7.21; West Wichita, $4.65; Darrell E. Flora (Hutchinson) $10; Etta McGonigle (Salem) $25; Mrs. Lizzie A. Lehman (Newton) $2; Mrs. L. E. Fahrney (Salem Community) $5; O. H. Austin & Wife (McPherson) $25; Kate Yost (Walnut Valley) $5; J. D. Yoder (Monitor) $10; S. S.: Primary Dept., Monitor, $34.41; Indv.: Mr. & Mrs. V. E. Whitmer, $5, ... 133.27

Louisiana—$53.55

Cong.: Roanoke, ... 53.55

Maryland—$816.35

E. Dist., Cong.: Meadow Branch, $41.57; Pipe Creek, $12; M. C. Cool (Bethany) $6; Mrs. Mollie E. Sigler (Middletown Valley) $3; S. S.: Pipe Creek, $30; Pleasant Hill (Bush Creek) $2; Sams Creek, $5; Indv.: Hazel Ober, $5, ... 104.57

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Johnsontown, $5; Licking Creek, $25; Pleasant View, $475; Ida M. Wine (Hagerstown) $3; A Member (Manor) $45; Aid Soc.: Pleasant View, $25; Maugansville (Broadfording) $20; Indv.: No. 96256, $25, ... 623.00

W. Dist., Cong.: Bear Creek, $25; C. H. Merrill, (Cherry Grove) $3.05; S. S.: Accident (Bear Creek) $60.73, ... 88.78

Michigan—$189.98

Cong.: Woodland, $47; Pontiac, $3.14; Elsie, $1; Durand (Elsie) $5.63; Ozark, $13.30; Rodney, $1; Elmdale, $25; Beaverton, $12.90; Battle Creek, $5.57; Midland, $21.02; No. 96069 (Woodland) $25; H. A. Weller & Wife (Detroit) $4; S. S.: Lake View, $10.42; Lansing, $7; Indv.: Mrs. Harry Carmer, $5; W. S. Christner, $3, ... 189.98

Minnesota—$49.00

Cong.: Root River, $37; A Member (Root River) $2; Mrs. Albert Seidel (Worthington) $6; Wilbur Brower (Bethel) $4, ... 49.00

Missouri—$157.20

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Mary M. Cox (Warrensburg) 1.00

No. Dist., Cong.: Smith Fork, $25; Rockingham, $46.86; So. St. Joseph, $4.35; S. S.: No. Bethel, $2.54; So. St. Joseph, $4.21; Rockingham, $37.45, ... 120.41

S. W. Dist., Cong.: Carthage, $9.75; Mrs. C. I. Masters (Peace Valley) $2; S. S.: Mountain Grove (Cabool) $5.42; Jasper, $13.10; Cabool, $5.52, ... 35.79

Nebraska—$57.56

Cong.: Kearney, $29.09; Enders, $8.12; Beatrice, $5.70; Falls City, $3.85; Octavia, $5.80; S. S.: Afton, $5, ... 57.56

New York—$3.00

Indv.: H. D. Jones, ... 3.00

North Dakota—$20.00

Cong.: Willow Grove, $5; Surrey, $5; A. B. Clark & Wife (Cando) $10, ... 20.00

Oklahoma—$72.00

Cong.: Thomas, $53; Mrs. E. L. Lawver (Pleasant Home) $5; Mrs. L. M. Dodd (Guthrie) $4; Indv.: Sarah Latimer, $10, .. 72.00

Ohio—$1,478.67

No. E. Dist., Cong.: Reading, $6; Mohican, $10; E. Nimishillen, $209.96; Wooster, $100; New Philadelphia, $5; No. 96313 (Zion Hill) $5; S. S.: Owl Creek, $1.84; West Nimishillen, $27.33; Aid Soc.: Black River, $25; Canton Center, $29.35; Indv.: L. D. Miller & Wife, $1, ... 420.48

N. W. Dist., Cong.: Greenspring, $24.44; Portage, $11.20; Silver Creek, $67; Sugar Creek, $10.25; Dupont, $7.43; Black Swamp, $20; Mrs. Lurena McKimmy (Toledo) $2; J. W. Hornish & Wife (No. Poplar Ridge) $50; A Sister (Greenspring) $10; S. S.: Sand Ridge, $1.75; Walnut Grove (Silver Creek) $30; Greenspring, $50.41; Eagle Creek, $83.80; Aid Soc.: Greenspring, $25; Indv.: Stephen Smith, $5, ... 408.28

So. Dist., Cong.: Bear Creek, $21.56; Ft. McKinley, $34; Salem, $271.23; Greenville, $5; Wheatville (Upper Twin) $51.33; W. Dayton, $104.09; Sidney, $14; Trotwood, $19.50; Lydia Klinger (W. Dayton) $1; Mrs. Geo. Zotzing (West Milton) $2; W. H. & Allie K. Gnagey (West Dayton) $5; Roy C. Engle & Wife (Cassel Run) $10; S. S.: Harris Creek, $5.70; Georgetown, $25; Piqua, $15.40; Wheatville (Upper Twin) $50; Greenville, $3.10; Indv.: Levi Stoner & Wife, $10; Mrs. L. Bigler, $2, ... 649.91

Oregon—$3.00

S. S.: Ashland, ... 3.00

Pennsylvania—$4,194.27

E. Dist., Cong.: Lancaster, $30.50; Mountville, $109.62; Little Swatara, $110; Elizabethtown, $85.33; E. Fairview, $16.10; Augusta Reber (Lititz) $25; Ada Paul (Shamokin) $2; A Member (Chiques) $30; Rebekah Lauver (Spring Creek) $15; Anna Wenger (Fredericksburg) $13; Wm. K. Conner (M. N.) (Harrisburg) $.50; No. 96091 (Hatfield) $5; Unknown donor (Elizabethtown) $1; Two Sisters (Indian Creek) $10; S. S.: Hummelstown (Spring Creek) $10; Spring Creek, $4.35; E. Fairview, $39.23; Indian Creek, $47.31; Paxton (Big Swatara) $16.60; Merkey's (Little Swatara) $25; Palmyra, $37.07; Advisory Board Palmyra) $2.13; Classes of Palmyra, "Busy Bee" $20; "Willing Workers" $26.23; "Work & Win" $10.50; Ladies' Senior Bible Class, $100.56; Primary Dept. $25.50; Men's Senior Bible Class, $47.50; "Onward" $25; Intermediate Boys, $6.13; Young Men's Bible Class, $115.05; E. Petersburg, $10.35; Skippack (Mingo) $58.36; Ephrata, $20.33; So. Annville (Annville) $25.41; Mount Hope (Chiques) $30.33; Aid Soc.: Shamokin, $16; Indv.: No. 96047, $2; Cyrus Westheaffer, $2, ... 1,175.99

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Lewistown, $295.21; 1st Altoona, $627.93; Warriors Mark, $2; Koontz, $51.71; Spring Run, $216.25; New Enterprise, $25; 28th St. Altoona, $75; Spring Run, $185.76; Riddlesburg, $2.15; Susan Rouzer Dunnings Creek) $5; Uriah T. Stuckey (Roaring Spring) $1; Jos. Crawford & Wife (Everett) $10; S. S.: 1st Altoona, $250; Warriors Mark, $8; Maitland (Dry Valley) $6.06; Cherry Lane, $5.90; Rockhill (Aughwick) $19.10; Spring Mount (Warriors Mark) $7.83; Spring Run, $50; C. W. S.: Warriors Mark, $2; Y. P. D.: Spring Run, $10; Martinsburg (Clover Creek) $2; Aid Soc.: Lewistown, $50; Women's Missionary Soc.: 1st Altoona, $3, 1,910.90

S. E. Dist., Cong.: Green Tree, $50; S. S.: Green Tree, $44.30; First Phila. $25; Quakertown (Springfield) $29.72, ... 149.02

So. Dist., Cong.: Carlisle $20; Hanover, $25.50; Kate Sprenkle (Upper Conewago) $2; Jacob Mummert (York) $4; Mary Bixler (York) $2; S. S.: Pleasant Hill (Codorus) $2.24; Hanover, $4.15; New Fairview, $17.04; Indv.: J. S. Harley, $3, ... 79.93

W. Dist., Cong.: Roxbury, $248.35; Walnut Grove (Johnstown) $200; Meyersdale, $62.10; Red Bank, $4.32; Sipesville, $50; Moxham, $50; M. J. Weaver & Family (Moxham) $20; D. P. Hoover (M. N.) (Rummel) $.50; Oscar L. Schrock (Rockwood) $5; J. Clark Brilhart (Montgomery) $6.50; A Brother & Sister (Manor) $50; Ada Bowman (Somerset) $5; S. S.: Sell St. (Roxbury) $150.66; Mt. Joy, $26, ... 878.43

Tennessee—$2.00

Indv.: Mrs. H. K. Keeble, ... 2.00

Texas—$22.00

Cong.: Manvel, $20; H. F. Osborn & Family (Manvel) $2, ... 22.00

Virginia—$1,172.66

E. Dist., Cong.: Mt. Carmel, $8.61; A Brother and Sister (Fairfax) $40, ... 48.61

First Dist., Cong.: Mrs. S. T. Fellers (Terrace View) $5; Lewis S. Newcomb (Mt. Joy) $10; Mrs. S. C. Owen)Lynchburg) $5; Mrs. M. A. Riner (Chestnut Grove) $2; Daleville College, $25.55, ... 47.55

No. Dist., Cong.: Damascus, $1; Cooks Creek, $53; Pleasant Run (Cooks Creek) $14; Mill Creek, $758; L. N. Click (Cooks Creek)

$2; Mrs. Mary Smith (Oak Hill-Powells Fort) $2; S. S.: "Marys and Marthas" Class, Linville Creek, $25, ... 855.00
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Pleasant Valley, $148; Pleasant Hill (Middle River) $5; Moscow, $9.36; Smith Creek, $5.81; Sangerville, $8.74; Branch (Sangerville) $9.09; Mrs. Addison Crummitt (Hiner-Sangerville) $5; Addison Crummitt (Hiner-Sangerville) $10; Ressie Kanost (Moscow) $5; Geo. R. Robertson (Chimney Run) $1.50; S. S.: "Boys of Today, Men of Tomorrow" Class, Bridgewater, $10, ... 217.50
So. Dist., Indv.: Sarah J. Hylton, $2; P. M. King, $2, ... 4.00

Washington—$112.46
Cong.: Outlook, $22.12; Sunnyside, $27.80; Mrs. W. H. Slabaugh (Wenatchee Valley) $25; S. S.: Mt. Hope, $31.54; Outlook, $6, .. 112.46

West Virginia—$221.25
First Dist., Cong.: Sandy Creek, $100; Eglon, $55; Rachel V. Cosner (Allegheny) $.25; Stella A. Cosner (Allegheny) $1; J. M. Leatherman (Greenland) $3; J. D. Beery & Wife (Tearcoat) $50, ... 209.25
Sec. Dist., Indv.: Jesse Judy, $7; Lucy A. Manzy $5, ... 12.00

Wisconsin—$7.03
S. S.: Rice Lake, ... 7.03

Total for the month, ...$12,698.26
Total previously reported, ... 81,915.25

$94,613.51
Correction No. 16, ... 64.60

Total for the year, ...$94,548.91

EMERGENCY FOR MISSIONS

Louisiana—$13.26
S. S.: Roanoke, ...$ 13.26

North Dakota—$5.00
Cong.: Minot, ... 5.00

Ohio—$15.00
N. W. Dist., S. S.: No. Poplar Ridge, $10; Aid Soc.: $5, ... 15.00

Pennsylvania—$101.74
Mid. Dist., S. S.: James Creek, ... 1.74
So. Dist., Cong.: No. 96318 (Upper Conewago) 100.00

Total for the month, ...$ 135.00
Total previously reported, ... 1,684.72

Total for the year, ...$ 1,819.72

STUDENT FELLOWSHIP 1925-26

Indiana—$404.75
Mid. Dist., Student Volunteers of Manchester, ...$ 404.75

Total for the month, ...$ 404.75
Total previously reported, ... 3,110.28

Total for the year, ...$ 3,515.03

STUDENT FELLOWSHIP 1926-1927

China—$5.00
Indv.: Ruth F. Ulrey, ...$ 5.00

Illinois—$250.93
No. Dist., Student Volunteers of Mt. Morris College, ... 250.93

Ohio—$3.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Dorothy Metzger (Trotwood), ... 3.00

Total for the month, ...$ 258.93
Total previously reported, ... 63.00

Total for the year, ...$ 321.93

AID SOCIETY FOREIGN MISSION FUND

Colorado—$85.39
E. Dist., Aid Societies, ...$ 85.39

Florida & Georgia—$25.00
Aid Societies, ... 25.00

Idaho—$30.00
Aid Societies, ... 30.00

Illinois—$76.00
No. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 76.00

Indiana—$206.25
Mid. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 206.25

Kansas—$27.00
S. W. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 27.00

Missouri—$20.00
No. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 20.00

Ohio—$133.25
N. W. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 133.25

Oregon—$29.00
Aid Societies, ... 29.00

Pennsylvania—$736.50
E. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 294.00
Mid. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 215.00
S. E. Dist., Aid Soc.: Wilmington, $5; Royersford, $10, ... 15.00
W. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 212.50

Virginia—$90.00
No. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 90.00

West Virginia—$10.00
First Dist., Aid Soc.: Bethel, ... 10.00

Total for the month, ...$ 1,468.39
Total previously reported, ... 4,320.02

Total for the year, ...$ 5,788.41

HOME MISSIONS

Kansas—$1.00
S. W. Dist., Indv.: Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Whitmer, ...$ 1.00

Missouri—$35.95
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Broadwater, ... 35.95

Oklahoma—$50.00
Cong.: Pleasant Plains, $40; Indv.: Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Wooten, $10, ... 50.00

Virginia—$2.25
First Dist., Cong.: N. E. Lintecum (Crab Orchard), ... 2.25

Total for the month, ...$ 89.20
Total previously reported, ... 1,409.99

Total for the year, ...$ 1,499.19

GREENE COUNTY, VIRGINIA, MISSION

Pennsylvania—$25.01
E. Dist., S. S.: Mount Hope (Chiques) ..$ 10.01
W. Dist., S. S.: Mt. Joy, ... 15.00

Total for the month, ...$ 25.01
Total previously reported, ... 613.91

Total for the year, ...$ 638.92

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Kansas—$15.26
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Buckeye, ...$ 15.26

Maryland—$2.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Albert E. Brown (Brownsville), ... 2.00

Nebraska—$1.00
Cong.: M. A. Miller (Falls City), ... 1.00

Ohio—$81.39
So. Dist., Cong.: Pleasant Hill, $60.69; L. C. McCorkle (Laramie) $10; S. S.: Middletown, $4.93; "Royal Bible Class" (Middle District) $5.77, ... 81.39

Pennsylvania—$125.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Juniata Park, ... 50.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Geiger Mem. (Phila.), 75.00

Virginia—$2.00
First Dist., Cong.: Bethel, ... 2.00

Total for the month, ...$ 226.65
Total previously reported, ... 4,446.47

Total for the year, ...$ 4,673.12

JUNIOR LEAGUE 1926

California—$17.75
No. Dist., S. S.: Juniors, Lindsay, ...$ 16.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Children, Hemet, ... 1.75

Colorado—$56.42
E. Dist., S. S.: Children, Antioch, $41.07; Children Denver, $15.35, ... 56.42

Illinois—$23.79
No. Dist., S. S.: Bethel, ... 23.79

Indiana—$135.35
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Children, W. Manchester, 3.00
No. Dist., S. S.: Junior Dept., Goshen City, $21; Shipshewana, $7; Children, Pine Creek, $51.35, ... 79.35
So. Dist., S. S.: Children, Arcadia, $44; Juniors, Four Mile, $9, ... 53.00

Iowa—$49.76
Mid. Dist., S. S.: "Rose Bud" Class, Panther Creek, $10.50; Three Primary Classes, Panther Creek, $3, ... 13.50
No. Dist., Cong.: Geo. & Eva Brallier (Curlew) $1; S. S.: Junior League, Curlew, $26.53, ... 27.53
So. Dist., S. S.: Osceola, ... 8.73

Kansas—$40.30
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Junior Band, Topeka, $4.58; Washington Creek, $13.40, ... 17.98
N. W. Dist., S. S.: Primary & Junior Classes, No. Solomon, $5.32; Children, Belleville, $17, ... 22.32

Maryland—$270.74
E. Dist., S. S.: Bethany, $36.54; Children, Washington City, $183.20, ... 219.74
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Children, Brownsville, $1; Junior Christian Endeavor, Hagerstown, $50, 51.00

Minnesota—$5.00
S. S.: Junior League (Hancock), ... 5.00

Nebraska—$8.24
S. S.: Junior & Primary Classes, Alvo, .. 8.24

Ohio—$317.44
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Juniors, Zion Hill, $24; Primary & Intermediate Depts., E. Nimishillen, $31.51, ... 55.51
N. W. Dist., S. S.: Children, Fostoria, $7; Junior League, Lick Creek, $73.90, ... 80.90
So. Dist., Cong.: Harris Creek, $23.55; Zelma Holler (Lower Miami) $13; Hubert Holler (Lower Miami) $13; S. S.: Children, Trotwood, $110.50; D. V. B. S.: Trotwood, $20.98, ... 181.03

Virginia—$61.52
No. Dist., S. S.: Dayton (Cooks Creek) $7.75; Junior League (Linville Creek) $1.26; Intermediate, Junior & Primary Classes, (Linville Creek) $52.51, ... 61.52

Total for the month, ...$ 986.31
Total previously reported, ... 7,334.18

$ 8,320.49
Correction No. 16, ... 64.60

Total for the year, ...$ 8,385.09

B. Y. P. D. MISSION FUND 1927-28

Washington—$10
Y. P. D.: Omak, ...$ 10.00

Total for the month, ...$ 10.00
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ...$ 10.00

INDIA MISSION

Florida—$25.00
Cong.: Mrs. S. Puterbaugh (Sebring), .. $ 25.00

Illinois—$14.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Chelsea, ... 14.00

Kansas—$85.00
S. W. Dist., Cong.: J. D. Yoder (Monitor) $10; Mabel Cripe (1st Wichita) $75, ... 85.00

Pennsylvania—$30.00
E. Dist., Aid Soc.: Palmyra, ... 25.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Geo. Foster & Wife (Pittsburgh), ... 5.00

Total for the month, ...$ 154.00
Total previously reported, ... 4,486.10

Total for the year, ...$ 4,640.10

INDIA NATIVE WORKER

Florida—$20.00
Indv.: Eld. J. E. Young, ...$ 20.00

Maryland—$80.00
E. Dist., S. S.: Meadow Branch, ... 80.00

Ohio—$15.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Greenville, ... 15.00

Total for the month, ...$ 115.00
Total previously reported, ... 775.42

Total for the year, ...$ 890.42

INDIA BOARDING SCHOOL

Indiana—$70.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.'s: Peru, Pipe Creek, Santa Fe, Mexico, Logansport, ...$ 70.00

Pennsylvania—$181.25
E. Dist., S. S.: Midway.: $21.25; Aid Soc.: White Oak, $35, ... 56.25
Mid. Dist., Aid Soc.: Koontz, ... 35.00
S. E. Dist., C. E. Soc.: Parkerford, ... 35.00
So. Dist., S. S.: "Alpha Class" Carlisle, .. 25.00
W. Dist., Aid Soc.: Meyersdale, ... 30.00

Tennessee—$4.99
S. S.: Beginners' Class, Johnson City, ... 4.99

Virginia—$35.00
First Dist., S. S.: Women's Bible Class, First Roanoke, ... 35.00

Total for the month, ...$ 291.24
Total previously reported, ... 1,697.73

Total for the year, ...$ 1.988.97

INDIA SHARE PLAN

California—$31.25
No. Dist., S. S.: "Young People's Class" Modesto, ...$ 6.25
So. Dist., S. S.: "Abiding Branches Class" 1st Los Angeles, ... 25 00

Iowa—$25.00
No. Dist., Aid Soc.: Sheldon, ... 25.00

Maryland—$25.00
E. Dist., S. S.: Men's Adult Bible Class, Pipe Creek, ... 25.00

Michigan—$25.00
Cong.: Woodland, ... 25.00

Pennsylvania—$259.14
E. Dist., Cong.: Ridgely, $26.14; S. S.: Gleaner's Class, Palmyra, $25; "Busy Workers" Class, Palmyra, $12.50; Primary Dept., Palmyra, $50; Willing Workers Class, Hatfield, $12.50; "The Sunshine Class," Indian Creek, $8, ... 134.14
Mid. Dist., S. S.: "Living Links" Class, Lewistown, $25; "Golden Rule Bible Class," Lewistown, $25, ... 50.00
S. E. Dist., Junior Endeavor Soc.: Germantown (Phila), ... 25.00
W. Dist., S. S.: Women's Adult Class, Geiger, $25; C. W. S.: Adult, Meyersdale, $25, 50.00

Total for the month, ...$ 365.39
Total previously reported, ... 4,037.08

Total for the year, ...$ 4,402.47

QUINTER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

California—$5.00
So. Dist., Aid Soc.: Covina, ...$ 5.00

Total for the month, ...$ 5.00
Total previously reported, ... 92.00

Total for the year, ...$ 97.00

DAHANU HOSPITAL BUILDING

Iowa—$37.46
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Boys & Girls of Walnut Ridge, Prairie City, ... 37.46

Ohio—$33.50
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Junior Class, Bethel, .. 33.50

Total for the month, ...$ 70.96
Total previously reported, ... 1,258.24

Total for the year, ...$ 1,329.20

McCANN MEMORIAL CHURCH FUND

Virginia—$162.82
No. Dist., B. Y. P. D., ...$ 162.82

Total for the month, ...$ 162.82

Total previously reported, ... 178.23

Total for the year, ...$ 341.05

INDIA WIDOWS' HOME

California—$5.00
So. Dist., Aid Soc.: Covina, ...$ 5.00

Total for the month, ...$ 5.00
Total previously reported, ... 2.00

Total for the year, ...$ 7.00

VYARA CHURCH BUILDING FUND

Pennsylvania—$54.00
E. Dist., Cong.: E. G. Meyer & Wife (Elizabethtown) $25; Bible Institute at Elizabethtown College $4, ... 29.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Spring Run, ... 25.00

Total for the month, ...$ 54.00
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ...$ 54.00

CHINA MISSION

Illinois—$12.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Geo. Laughrin (Hickory Grove) $7; S. S.: Primary Dept., Freeport, $5, ...$ 12.00

Indiana—$6.78
No. Dist., Cong.: 1st So. Bend, ... 6.78

Kansas—$10.00
S. W. Dist., Cong.: J. D. Yoder, (Monitor), 10.00

Maryland—$41.48
E. Dist., Cong.: Woodberry (Balt.), ... 41.48

Michigan—$26.34
Cong.: Woodland, ... 26.34

Nebraska—$9.86
S. S.: Adult Classes, Alvo, ... 9.86

Ohio—$10.00
N. E. Dist., Cong.: S. & S. Harshman (Wooster), ... 10.00

Pennsylvania—$54.62
E. Dist., Aid Soc.: Palmyra, ... 25.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Lewistown, ... 27.12
W. Dist., S. S.: Mt. Joy, ... 2.50

Total for the month, ...$ 171.08
Total previously reported, ... 4,733.08

Total for the year, ...$ 4,904.16

CHINA NATIVE WORKER

Maryland—$40.00
E. Dist., Cong.: Edw. C. Bixler & Wife (Pipe Creek), ...$ 40.00

Total for the month, ...$ 40.00
Total previously reported, ... 501.13

Total for the year, ...$ 541.13

CHINA GIRLS' SCHOOL

California—$30.00
So. Dist., Aid Soc.: Covina, ...$ 30.00
Pennsylvania—$25.00
E. Dist., S. S.: Mechanic Grove, ... 25.00

Total for the month, ...$ 55.00
Total previously reported, ... 101.30

Total for the year, ...$ 156.30

CHINA SHARE PLAN

California—$9.46
Dist., S. S.: Santa Ana, ...$ 9.46

Indiana—$125.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Ira E. Long & Family (Rock Run) $50; S. S.: "Winners' Class" No. Winona, $25; C. W. S.: Nappanee, $50, .. 125.00

Iowa—$25.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: "Victor" Class, Dallas Center, ... 25.00

Pennsylvania—$287.50
E. Dist., S. S.: "Hopeful Blossom" Class, Palmyra, $25; "Sunshine" Class, Palmyra, $12.50; "Onward" Class, Palmyra, $50; Loyal Workers' Class, Palmyra, $25; Intermediate Boys' Class, Palmyra, $25; Young Men's Bible Class, Palmyra, $100, ... 237.50
Mid. Dist., S. S.: "Truth Seekers" Class, Williamsburg, ... 50.00

Total for the month, ...$ 446.96
Total previously reported, ... 1,985.34

Total for the year, ...$ 2,432.30

CHINA HOSPITALS

Ohio—$114.77
N. W. Dist., S. S.: Eagle Creek, $48.49; Guy Anderson's Class of Intermediate Boys & Girls, Eagle Creek, $66.28, ... 114.77

Total for the month, ...$ 114.77
Total previously reported, ... 126.98

Total for the year, ...$ 241.75

SWEDEN MISSION

Pennsylvania—38.00
E. Dist., S. S.: "Men's Willing Worker's Class" (Chiques) $28; Aid Soc.: White Oak, $10, ...$ 38.00

Total for the month, ...$ 38.00
Total previously reported, ... 132.16

$ 170.16
Correction No. 17, ... 50.00

Total for the year, ...$ 120.16

AFRICA MISSION

Florida—$25.00
Cong.: Mrs. S. Puterbaugh (Sebring), ...$ 25.00

Illinois—$58.76
No. Dist., Cong.: Bethel, $13; A Sister (Milledgeville) $25; S. S.: Douglas Park (First Chicago) $20.76, ... 58.76

Indiana—$62.25
No. Dist., S. S.: Mrs. H. A. Clabaugh's Class, Middlebury, $12.25; "Friendship" Class, 1st So. Bend, $25; Y. P. D.: Middlebury, $15, ... 52.25
So. Dist., Cong.: Isaiah Teetor (Nettle Creek), ... 10.00

Iowa—$18.56
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Iowa River, $11.96; Spring Creek, $6.60, ... 18.56

Kansas—$20.00
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Lawrence E. Lehman (Newton) $5; Michael Keller & Wife (Larned) $5; J. D. Yoder (Monitor) $10, ... 20.00

Maryland—$11.78
E. Dist., Cong.: Denton, ... 11.78

Ohio—$686.15
N. E. Dist., Cong.: A Sister (E. Chippewa) $2.50; No. 95896 (dwellings) (Springfield) $500; Aid Soc.: Maple Grove (Clara Harper work) $10, ... 512.50
N. W. Dist., S. S.: J. J. Anglemeyer's Class of Young People, Eagle Creek, $87; Lida Freed's Class of Juniors, Eagle Creek, $74.43, ... 161.43
So. Dist., Cong.: West Alevandria, ... 12.22

Pennsylvania—$69.40
E. Dist., S. S.: Intermediate Class, Akron, $8.72; Aid Soc.: Heidelberg, $7.50; Palmyra (evangelism) $25; D. V. B. S.: Elizabethtown, $28.18, ... 69.40

Total for the month, ...$ 951.90
Total previously reported, ... 9,776.26

Total for the year, ...$10,728.16

AFRICA SHARE PLAN

Indiana—$50.00
No. Dist., S. S.: "Excelsior Class" Mt. Pleasant (Yellow River), ...$ 50.00

Ohio—$12.50
N. W. Dist., S. S.: Young People's Class, Oak Grove, (Rome), ... 12.50

Pennsylvania—$25.00
E. Dist., S. S.: "Gleaners' Class" Palmyra, 25.00

Total for the month, ... $ 87.50
Total previously reported, ... 387.51

Total for the year, ... $ 475.01

NEAR EAST RELIEF

California—$3.60
So. Dist., Cong.: Individuals of Pasadena, $ 3.60

Idaho—$1.00
Cong.: Nezperce, ... 1.00

Maryland—$3.00
E. Dist., Cong.: A Helper (Piney Creek), 3.00

Pennsylvania—$375.26
E. Dist., Cong.: Midway, $108.42; Peach Blossom, $35.83; Chiques, $95; S. S.: Mount Hope (Chiques) $15; Spring Creek, $7.24; Aid Soc.: Ridgley, $10, ... 271.49
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Snyder House (Woodbury), ... 21.87
So. Dist., Cong.: Waynesboro, ... 46.90
W. Dist., Cong.: Ada Bowman (Somerset) $5; S. S.: Junior Dept., Walnut Grove (Johnstown) $20; Intermediate Dept., Walnut Grove, (Johnstown) $10, ... 35.00

Total for the month, ... $ 382.86
Total previously reported, ... 3,224.42

Total for the year, ... $ 3,607.28

CONFERENCE BUDGET

Arkansas—$6.00
N. W. Dist., Indv.: Mrs. Mary J. Babb & Daughter, ... $ 6.00

California—$54.05
No. Dist., Cong.: Empire, $15; Mrs. N. A. Harman (Lindsay) $3; W. A. Catledge (Oakland) $5, ... 23.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Hemet, ... 31.05

Florida—$10.00
Cong.: Gertrude C. Oaks (Orlando), ... 10.00

Idaho—$70.00
Cong.: Winchester, $50; Frank J. DeCoursey & Family (Nampa) $20, ... 70.00

Illinois—$222.67
No. Dist., Cong.: Mt. Morris, $131.67; Lanark, $71; Edith O. Fry (Bethel) $5; Anna L. Fry (Bethel) $2; Lemler Family (1st Chicago) $5; Mary Barton (1st Chicago) $5; Indv.: F. E. Kniesley, $3, ... 222.67

Indiana—$394.97
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Santa Fe, $7.84; Bachelors Run, $26, ... 33.84
No. Dist., Cong.: Bremen, $12.50; New Paris, $167; Goshen City, $142.63; Center, $9; Rock Run, $30, ... 361.13

Iowa—$252.01
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Iowa River, ... 14.26
No. Dist., Cong.: Franklin County, $25.50; David Brallier & Wife (Curlew) $18, ... 43.50
So. Dist., Cong.: English River, $150; S. S.: Council Bluffs, $4.25; Libertyville, $40, ... 194.25

Kansas—$90.00
N. E. Dist., Cong.: McLouth, $10; Overbrook, $50, ... 60.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Parsons, $23; Fannie Stevens, (Osage) $2, ... 25.00
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Louisa Sherfy (McPherson), ... 5.00

Louisiana—$94.36
Cong.: Rosepine, ... 94.36

Maryland—$499.00
E. Dist., Cong.: Pipe Creek, $30; New Windsor (Pipe Creek) $26; H. E. Beard & Wife (Meadow Branch) $50, ... 106.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Hagerstown, $108.43; S. S.: Hagerstown, $284.57, ... 393.00

Michigan—$219.52
Cong.: Shepherd, $106.80; Woodland, $107.72; John Swanstra & Wife (Beaverton) $5, ... 219.52

Missouri—$10.48
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Warrensburg, ... 10.48

Ohio—$696.18
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Ashland Dickey, $30.10; Goshen, $30; Chippewa, $140.05; Richland, $41.75; E. Chippewa, $7; A Sister (Mohican) $10; A Sister (E. Chippewa) $2.50, ... 261.40
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Swan Creek, $15; P. F. Dukes (Greenspring) $10; E. H. Rosenberger & Wife (Sugar Ridge) $5, ... 30.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Harris Creek, $264.61; New Carlisle, $164.12, ... 428.33

Oregon—$16.00
Cong.: Mabel, ... 16.00

Pennsylvania—$240.72
E. Dist., Cong.: Spring Creek, $10.22; Two Sisters (Springville) $5.50; Mrs. Emma T. Moyer (Hatfield) $10; Two Sisters (Indian Creek) $10; Aid Soc.: Ridgely, $15, ... 50.72
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Jos. Crawford & Wife (Everett) $10; Mrs. D. A. Stayer (Yellow Creek) $5, ... 15.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Waynesboro, $15; Mrs. H. B. Winey & Daughter (Lost Creek) $10; Clayton K. Miller & Wife (York) $100, ... 125.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Mt. Joy, ... 50.00

Virginia—$1,225.55
First Dist., Cong.: Peters Creek, $75; S. S.: Peters Creek, $75; Indv.: O. P. Jones & Wife, $10, ... 160.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Greenmount, $16; Unity, $120.40; Timberville, $335; Linville Creek, $158, ... 629.40
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Summit, ... 395.15
So. Dist., Cong.: Fraternity, ... 41.00

Washington—$6.18
Cong.: Tacoma, ... 6.18

West Virginia—$12.00
First Dist., Cong.: Mrs. C. H. Poling (Greenland) $4; Geo. T. & K. E. Leatherman (Greenland) $8, ... 12.00

Wisconsin—$10.00
Cong.: J. E. Cook (Chippewa Valley), .. 10.00

Total for the month, ... $ 4,153.24
Total previously reported, ... 54,201.56

$58,354.80
Correction No. 19, ... 200.16

Total for the year, ... $58,154.64

CONFERENCE BUDGET DESIGNATED

Total for the month, ... $ 0.00
Total previously reported, ... 357.20

$ 357.20
Correction No. 20, ... 16.55

Total for the year, ... $ 340.65

MARCH WORLD SERVICE 1927-28

California—$525.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. N. E. Welty (Patterson), ... $ 25.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Grant W. Bowman (Calvary Los Angeles) $100; W. H. Neher (La Verne) $100; Mary A. Bitzer (Pasadena) $300, 500.00

Colorado—$100.00
E. Dist., Cong.: B. F. Stauffer (Rocky Ford), ... 100.00

Illinois—100.00
No. Dist., No. 96493 (First Chicago), ... 100.00

Indiana—$300.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Mary E. Wenger (1st So. Bend) $100; Margaret A. Johnson (1st So. Bend) $100, ... 200.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Mahlon Rinehart (Nettle Creek), ... 100.00

Maryland—$100.00
E. Dist., Cong.: Annie R. Stoner (New Windsor-Pipe Creek) $50; Edward C. Bixler (Pipe Creek) $50, ... 100.00

Missouri—$100.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Geo. W. Hoover & Family (Smith Fork), ... 100.00

Nebraska—$200.00
Cong.: W. J. Neal (Kearney) $100; J. D. Schock (So. Beatrice) $100, ... 200.00

Pennsylvania—$810.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: W. Emmert Swigart (Huntingdon), ... 100.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Anna M. Brunner (Ambler) $100; Amanda R. Fratz (Ambler) $100; No. 96431 (Green Tree) $100; A Member of 1st Phila., $10; Arnold H. Francis (Green Tree) $25; John C. Dettra (Green Tree) $100; P. R. Markley (Germantown-Phila.) $100, ... 535.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Henry Rinehart (Waynesboro), ... 100.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Anna Saylor (Rockwood), ... 75.00

Virginia—$100.00
No. Dist., Cong.: John F. Wampler (Greenmount), ... 100.00

Total for the month, ...$ 2,335.00
Total previously reported, ... 1,945.00

Total for the year, ...$ 4,280.00

MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

California—$519.74
No. Dist., Lindsay Cong. for Dr. Ida Metzger, $120; S. S.'s for Minneva Neher, $230.50, ...$ 350.50
So. Dist., La Verne Cong. for E. D. Vaniman & Wife and L. A. Blickenstaff & Wife, $129.24; An Individual of La Verne Cong. for E. D. Vaniman & Wife and L. A. Blickenstaff & Wife, $5; Butterbaugh Family, La Verne Cong. for A. G. Butterbaugh, $35, ... 169.24

Colorado—$226.10
E. Dist., S. G. Nickey (Colorado Spring) for Dr. Barbara Nickey, ... 226.10

Idaho—$140.41
Congs. for Anetta C. Mow, $60.86; for Dr. D. L. Horning, $79.55, ... 140.41

Illinois—$2,416.66
No. Dist., Mt. Morris College Missy. Soc. for D. J. Lichty, $250; Franklin Grove S. S. for Bertha Butterbaugh, $15.63; S. S.'s for Kathryn Garner, $498.60; J. E. Wolf and Edna Wolf, (Franklin Grove) for Mae Wolf, $500; Butterbaugh Family (West Branch) for A. G. Butterbaugh, $130; A. F. Wine & Wife (1st Chicago) $425; Elementary Depts. (1st Chicago) for Ira Floyd Mallott, $20; 1st Chicago S. S. for Floyd E. Mallott, $22.43, ... 1,861.66
So. Dist., Virden S. S. for Dr. Laura M. Cottrell, $250; Cerro Gordo Cong. for Dr. A. R. Cottrell, $250; Primary Dept. (Decatur) for Darlene Butterbaugh, $45; Individuals & Centennial S. S. (Okaw) for J. E. Wagoner, $10, ... 555.00

Indiana—$678.49
Mid. Dist., Manchester College S. S. for Laura J. Shock, $325; Student Volunteers of Manchester College for Clara Harper Budget, $128.49; S. S.'s for Mabel W. Moomaw, $125, 578.49
So. Dist., S. S.'s for W. J. Heisey, ... 100.00

Iowa—$50.00
No. Dist., Waterloo City S. S. (So. Waterloo) for Mary Shull, ... 50.00

Kansas—$1,377.64
N. E. Dist., S. S.'s for Ella Ebbert, ... 500.00
S. E. Dist., Congs. & Individuals for Emma H. Eby $106.64; Osage Cong. for Emma H. Eby, $40, ... 146.64
S. W. Dist., Ida Frantz Brubaker (W. Wichita) for F. H. Crumpacker, $10; J. D. Yoder (Monitor) for Myrtle Pollock, $312.50; for Lulu Ullom Coffman, $408.50; 731.00

Maryland—$1,147.95
E. Dist., S. S.: for Ethel Roop, $359.95; Y. P. of E. Md., Del & D. C. for Earl W. Flohr, $188; "Morning Star Bible Class" (Fulton Ave., Baltimore) for Mrs. John I. Kaylor, $100, ... 647.95
Mid. Dist., Hagerstown Cong. for H. J. Brooks & Wife, ... 500.00

Michigan—$89.31
Primary Depts. for Daniel Harold Bowman, $8.46; Junior Depts. for Harlan Bowman, $10; S. S.'s for Pearl Bowman, $48.77; Congs. for Pearl Bowman, $22.08, ... 89.31

Missouri—$266.00
Mid. Dist., No. 96176 (S. Warrensburg) for Jennie Mohler, $250; So. Warrensburg Cong. for Jennie Mohler, $16, ... 266.00

Nebraska—$24.71
Bethel Cong. for R. C. Flory, ... 24.71

Ohio—$1,206.71
N. E. Dist., Owl Creek Cong. for Lola Helser, $222.45; Owl Creek Aid Soc. for Lola Helser, $50; E. Nimishillen S. S. for Goldie Swartz, $125, ... 397.45
N. W. Dist., J. J. Anglemeyer's Class of Young (Eagle Creek) for Julia Ann Flohr, $60; Eagle Creek S. S. for Lewis B. Flohr, Jr., $60; Pleasant View S. S. for Ellen H. Wagoner, $250, ... 370.00
So. Dist., Trotwood Cong. for Elizabeth Oberholtzer, $214.26; Eversole Cong. for J. Homer Bright, $225, ... 439.26

Pennsylvania—$2,866.95
E. Dist., Chiques Cong. for Alice Graybill, 550.00
Mid. Dist., Carson Valley Cong. for A. G. Butterbaugh, $86.95; Everett Cong. for Dr. Carl Coffman, $75; Albright Cong. for Olivia D. Ikenberry, $21, ... 182.95
S. E. Dist., Green Tree Cong. for Nora Hollenberg, ... 125.00
So. Dist., No. 96318 (Upper Conewago) for E. L. Ikenberry, ... 500.00
W. Dist., Shade Creek, Scalp Level, Rummell & Windber for Anna Z. Blough, $500; Maple Spring Aid Soc. (Quemahoning) for Esther Beahm, $325; 7th Circuit S. S.'s for Marie W. Brubaker, $335; Pittsburgh Cong. for L. S. Brubaker, $99; Scalp Level Cong. for Dr. H. L. Burke, $250, ... 1,509.00

Virginia—$2,107.73
First & So. Dist., S. S.'s for Rebecca Wampler, $40; for Elsie N. Shickel, $99.48, 139.48
No. Dist., Greenmount Cong., for I. S. Long & Wife, $80; Congs. for I. S. Long & Wife, $425; for Dr. F. J. Wampler, $375; I. C. Senger & Wife (Greenmount) for Sara Z. Myers, $250; Mt. Zion S. S. (Greenmount) for Dr. F. J. Wampler, $25, ... 1,155.00
Sec. Dist., Lebanon Cong. for Chalmer Shull, $45.92; Oak Grove (Lebanon) Cong. for Chalmer Shull, $12.33; Bridgewater Cong. for Ella Flohr, $200; Barren Ridge for Nora Flory, $235; Miss Willie B. Cline (Lebanon) for Alfred E. Hollenberg, $45; Bridgewater S. S. for N. A. Seese, $275, ... 813.25

Total for the month, ...$13,118.40
Total previously reported, ... 47,167.87

$60,286.27
Correction No. 19, ... 200.16
Correction No. 20, ... 16.55

Total for the year, ...$60,502.98

Good Missionary Books

African Adventurers by Mackenzie.. 1.25
Next Door Neighbors, by Applegarth 1.00
Torch Bearers in China, by Matthews .75
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AMERICA

Church of the Brethren Industrial School, Geer, Va.

Bollinger, Amsey and Florence, 1922
Early, H. C., and Emma, 1925
Finckh, Elsie, 1925
Hersch, Orville and Mabel, 1925
Kline, Alvin, 1926
Wampler, Nelie, 1922

In Pastoral Service

Bowman, Price and Elsie, Bassett, Va., 1925
Fahnestock, Rev. and Mrs. S. G., 1059 Michigan Ave., Portland, Ore., 1927
Garber, Glenn, Essex, Mo., 1925
Haney, R. A. and Irva, Merrill, Md., 1925
Horner, W. J. and Hazel, 3122 Ellis Ave., Fort Worth, Texas
Scrogum, Arthur and Marie, Accident, Md., 1926
Showalter, R. K. and Florence, Rose Pine, La., 1926
White, Ralph and Matie, 1206 E. Holston Ave., Johnson City, Tenn., 1923

SWEDEN

Spanhusvagen 38, Malmö, Sweden

Graybill, J. F., and Alice, 1911
Buckingham, Ida, 1913

CHINA

Ping Ting Hsien, Shansi, China

Baker, Elizabeth, 1922
Brubaker, L. S., and Marie, 1924
Coffman, Dr. Carl, 1921, and Lulu, 1919
Crumpacker, F. H., 1908
Flory, Edna R., 1917
Hollenberg, John, 1926, and Ada D., 1922
Metzger, Minerva, 1910
Seese, Norman A., and Anna, 1917
Schaeffer, Mary, 1917

Liao Chou, Shansi, China

Flory, Raymond, and Lizzie, 1914
Horning, Emma, 1908
Oberholtzer, I. E., and Eliz., 1916
Pollock, Myrtle, 1917
Senger, Nettie M., 1916
Shock, Laura J., 1916

Shou Yang, Shansi, China

Flory, Byron M., and Nora, 1917
Heisey, Walter J., and Sue, 1917
Neher, Minneva J., 1924

Tai Yuan, care of Y. M. C. A., Shansi, China

Ikenberry, E. L., and Olivia, 1922

Peking, China, Yen Ching, School of Chinese Studies, 5 Tung Ssu, Tao Tiao

Ulery, Ruth F., 1926

On Furlough

Bowman, Samuel B., and Pearl, 708 S. Central Park Ave., Chicago, Ill., 1918
Bright, J. Homer and Minnie, 1208 No. Wayne St., North Manchester, Ind., 1911
Clapper, V. Grace, 840 Main St., Windber, Pa., 1917
Cline, Mary E., 900 Franklin, Roaring Spring, Pa., 1920
Crumpacker, Anna, Elgin, Ill., 1908
Horning, Dr. D. L., and Martha, c|o General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill., 1919
Hutchison, Anna, Easton, Md., 1911
Myers, Minor M., and Sara, Bridgewater, Va., 1919
Smith, W. Harlan and Frances, c|o General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill., 1920
Sollenberger, O. C., and Hazel, c|o J. W. Coppock, Tippecanoe City, Ohio, 1919
Vaniman, Ernest D., and Susie, La Verne, Calif., 1913
Wampler, Dr. Fred J., and Rebecca, Accomac, Va., 1913

AFRICA

Garkidda, Nigeria, West Africa, via Jos and Numan

Beahm, Wm. M., and Esther, 1924
Flohr, Earl W., and Ella, 1926
Gibbel, Dr. J. Paul, and Verda, 1926
Harper, Clara, 1926
Heckman, Clarence C., and Lucile, 1924
Helser, Albert D., 1922, and Lola, 1923
Kulp, H. Stover, 1922
Mallott, Floyd, 1924
Shisler, Sara, 1926

On Furlough

Burke, Dr. Homer L., and Marguerite, 509 So. Honore St., Chicago, Ill., 1923
Mallott, Ruth B., 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, 1924

INDIA

Ahwa, Dangs, India

Garner, H. P., and Kathryn, 1916

Anklesvar, Broach Dist., India

Grisso, Lillian, 1917
Long, I. S., and Effie, 1903
Moomaw, I. W., and Mabel, 1923
Shickel, Elsie, 1921
Woods, Beulah, 1924

Bulsar, Surat Dist., India

Blickenstaff, Lynn A., and Mary, 1920
Cottrell, Dr. A. R., and Laura, 1913
Mohler, Jennie, 1916
Roop, Ethel, 1926
Shumaker, Ida C., 1910

Dahanu Road, Thana Dist., India

Ebbert, Ella, 1917
Metzger, Dr. Ida, 1925
Nickey, Dr. Barbara M., 1915
Royer, B. Mary, 1913
Wolf, L. Mae, 1922

Jalalpor, Surat Dist., India

Miller, Eliza B., 1900
Mow, Baxter M., and Anna, 1923

Vada, Thana Dist., India

Kaylor, John I., 1911 and Ina, 1921
Swartz, Goldie E., 1916

Palghar, Thana Dist., India

Alley, Howard L., and Hattie, 1917

Post Umalla, via Anklesvar, India

Lichty, D. J., 1902, and Anna, 1912
Widdowson, Olive, 1912
Ziegler, Kathryn, 1908

Vyara, via Surat Dist., India

Blough, J. M., and Anna, 1903
Brooks, Harlan J., and Ruth, 1924
Mow, Anetta, 1917

On Furlough

Blickenstaff, Verna M., Cerro Gordo, Ill., 1919
Brumbaugh, Anna B., Hartville, O., 1919
Butterbaugh, A. G., and Bertha, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
Ebey, Adam, and Alice, North Manchester, Ind., 1900
Forney, D. L., and Anna, La Verne, Calif., 1897
Hollenberg, Fred M., and Nora, Sebring, Fla., 1919
Kintner, Elizabeth, Ney, Ohio, 1919
Miller, Arthur S. B. and Jennie, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
Miller, Sadie J., R. F. D., Waterloo, Ia., 1903
Replogle, Sara, New Enterprise, Pa., 1919
Shull, Chalmer and Mary, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
Summer, B. F. and Nettie, Mooreland, Ind., 1919
Wagoner, J. E., and Ellen, North Manchester, Ind., 1919

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>
> "'If you would realize what the minister means to the individual or to the community, try to imagine what existence would be without him—no worship, no sacraments, no baptism, no marriage ceremonies except the signing of a contract; at the grave the lowering of the coffin in silence, with no word of tomorrow. We could not bear it a week. We could not exist as a nation if we did not have among us, working early and late, interpreters of God, reminding us in days of prosperity as in days of adversity that, in the last analysis, the eternal things are the only things that count.'"

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Forty-Second Annual Report of the General Mission Board

For the Fiscal Year Ending February 28, 1927

WITH joy we report to Conference on the mission work entrusted to our direction. Letters from our missionaries, the spoken messages from furloughed workers and the correspondence from the Board's deputation to the mission fields all contain much to give us satisfaction such as overflowed from the hearts of the seventy who returned and made their report to Jesus.

In connection with the joy experienced at the salvation of souls we have been faced with problems which have called forth much prayer and serious study. War conditions in China have been perplexing. Problems of territory and the best methods for laying foundations in a new mission have been our concern in Africa. The development of initiative and self-support in the India mission has been a matter of serious study.

One of the missionaries writing a personal letter said: "This finds us well here. A new dwelling is nearing completion. School attendance is maintained at 100. New missionaries are learning the language faster than we did in early days. The doctor has more work than he can do. Old houses are getting new roofs. We are daily expecting a new load of supplies from America. It is great to hear the voices of the children. The new Ford works like a charm. A good group of men are again attending the Bible class. A class of women is in the making. And the poor are having the Gospel preached unto them."

Thus the lives of your missionaries have been lived during the past year. In the course of twelve months they meet sacrifice, sickness, death, hard problems, joy at new birth and a consciousness of being coworkers with God, which gives a peace beyond understanding. This peace and unity with God makes possible the staying on in hard places.

Personnel

During the year eight new missionaries appointed by the Conference at Lincoln last June were sent to foreign fields. Ethel A. Roop, R. N., was sent to India. Ruth F. Ulrey was sent to China. Six new workers were sent to Africa, viz.: Earl W. and Ella Miller Flohr, Sara C. Whisler, Clara J. Harper and Dr. J. Paul and Verda Hershberger Gibbel.

Virginia furnished two of these workers while the following States supplied one each, viz.: Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois and Iowa. In the previous year only one new worker was sent to the field. The ranks of workers are constantly being thinned by sickness, death or lack of suitability for the work.

During the past year two noble souls from the ranks of detained missionaries have departed this life. Bro. Amos W. Ross, missionary to India since 1904, departed this life May 31, 1926. Vida A. Wampler, missionary to China since 1918, passed to the next world Oct 6, 1926. Their two faithful companions continue to exalt the work of Christ as opportunity affords.

The comparative table of workers on the foreign fields for the past two years shows the following:

For year ending	Feb. 28, 1926.	Feb. 28, 1927
Sweden	3	3
China	49	49
India	61	59
Africa	11	18
	124	129

Loss of workers in this present year 1927-8 from sickness and other reasons promises to be rather high.

India

Over 200 native workers are connected with the mission work in India. They are engaged in such work as preaching, teaching, village evangelism, medical work and special Bible work among women and children. Christian work is now done in more than 100 villages out of a possible 2,500 in our territory. The church membership is over 3,000 out of a population of 1,200,000 souls. Our mission property has a value of over $400,000. This includes two well equipped hospitals. About $160,000 was used in the India mission during the year. There is a definite effort on the part of the missionaries to carry on with less money from abroad in the hope that the type of organization developed may grow more in accord with the possibilities of the Indian people. New churchhouses are needed. The Indian people are sacrificing in order to bear their

part of the expense. When they bend their energies in this direction we feel greatly encouraged to grant them the funds from America which will help them to realize suitable houses of worship.

China

Since the founding of the Chinese republic in 1911 there has been rather constant disorder in some part of China. The Shansi province where our work is located had been comparatively free from these disorders until last year when war was waged at Liao Chou, our southern station. During this year transportation has been greatly demoralized. The fighting between the northern and southern forces has put even our quiet province in a state of turmoil. Now as this is being written (April 12) we have just had a cable from China saying that the U. S. Consul has advised our missionaries to withdraw from their territory to avoid any trouble which is advancing from the south to the north of China. All of this greatly disturbs the normal processes of mission work.

Notwithstanding the condition of the country God's Word has been preached. School work has been successfully carried on and a new emphasis has been put on village evangelism. A greater effort is being made to organize groups of members into congregations. The church membership stands nearly at the 1,000 mark. It is impossible to record with cold figures all who have found new life and hope in the teachings of Jesus. Sinful practices have been discontinued and love made richer even in hearts that have not been definitely enrolled in the church.

Africa

The Africa mission is comparatively new, having been opened in 1922. The problems faced are: learning the language, the customs and traditions of the people and providing suitable houses for homes, schools and places of worship. Learning to know the souls of these pagan people who have never had a written language is a real task. The work of evangelism through teaching, preaching and medicine is being well established. Nigeria, the province in which we work, is under British government. Through the government we secure the legal right to carry on mission work. The government has been hesitant to grant the desired territory, for it is partly inhabited by Mohammedans who do not welcome the coming of the Christian missionary. Quite late in the year two new stations were granted at Gardemna and Dille. These together with Garkidda constitute the three stations of work. Beyond our immediate borders there are great areas of territory where no Christian missionary has ever proclaimed Christ's message. Into this territory the missionaries hope to go. The Board has received calls for new workers for this field. Latest reports indicated quite a large group of natives who have requested baptism and who are receiving prebaptism instruction.

Scandinavia

The mission in Scandinavia is our oldest work outside of the United States. At present our three workers are located in Sweden and no workers are living in Denmark. Splendid success has been achieved during the past year among the young people of Malmö. The mission program in Sweden is very similar to our regular church work in America.

Our Home Work

Progress is evident in all of our Home work. Last summer's work by students was exceptionally successful. This summer a number of our students will be in the service of the church. During the year the following Districts have been helped: Southern Iowa, Northern Illinois, Southern Kansas, Florida and Georgia, Oklahoma, First Virginia, Southwestern Missouri, Michigan, North and South Carolina, Western Maryland, Northern Missouri, Canada, Texas and Louisiana, Tennessee, Southeastern Missouri and Arkansas, and Oregon. John R. Snyder and S. Z. Smith have given some time for evangelism during the year. The General Board has approved the plan to secure two evangelists on full time to work in weak churches. Also a field organization has been approved by the General Board and by at least thirty-four of the District Mission Boards, the responsibility of which will be to encourage our home and foreign work. The work in the Industrial School has been very satisfactory. Bro. H. C. Early has rendered invaluable service by his willingness to direct the affairs of the school personally. Loans were made on a number of church buildings. There is a need for a larger fund for this purpose. The work of

District Mission Boards has been very encouraging. Here and there they are reporting churches coming to self-support. The General Mission Board has set aside November, our Thanksgiving month, for the emphasis on Home Mission Work. The churches will be asked to make a special offering for our Home Work at that time. As we grow in America so will our possibility grow for foreign work. Our Home Mission objective is not only to make Christ known in America but throughout the world.

Financial

The following facts were gleaned from the annual report of the Board's treasurer to the trustees of the Mission Board presented at its April, 1927, meeting.

First we call attention to the distribution of the missionary dollar for the past year. That is, out of each dollar received and spent there was used

For Missions in India	50.8c
For Missions in China	22.1
For Missions in Denmark and Sweden	1.9
For Missions in Africa	5.5
For Home Missions	10.5
For Missionary Education	5.4
Administration	3.8

The following statement is in the same form as it has been customary to report annually for many years past:

A Comparative Statement of Mission Funds

	1925-26	1926-27	Increase
Receipts			
Contributions of living donors	$250,920.68	$236.312.66	$14,608.02*
Bequests and lapsed annuities	11,790.38	20,070.00	8,279.62
Miscellaneous	3,818.14	966.54	2,851.60*
Net income from investments (after paying annuities)	51,692.82	57,831.20	6,138.38
	$318,222.02	$315,180.40	$ 3,041.62*
Endowments and annuities	54,640.25	78,188.01	23,547.71
Relief donations	16,625.29	14,793.14	1,832.15*
Expenditures			
Administration	$ 9,809.29	$ 12,159.58	$ 2,350.29
Missionary education	14,944.04	15,836.31	892.27
India Mission	149,011.93	159,558.58	10,546.75
China Mission	79,934.66	69,406.03	10,528.63*
Sweden Mission	6,439.60	6,090.05	349.55*
Denmark Mission	383.60	203.05	180.55*
South China Mission	80.20		80.20*
Africa Mission	14,619.36	17,486.40	2,867.04
Home Missions	30,726.44	33 208.73	2,482.29
	$305,949.12	$313,948.83	$ 7,999.71

* Decrease

Analyzing the above it is certainly not encouraging that there was a shrinkage of nearly $15,000.00 in the amount realized for missions from freewill offerings. This is in line with the statistics of giving to the Conference Budget which shows per capita giving this past year (on basis of previous year membership) of $2.27 compared with $2.44 the previous year. This is the lowest rate in the past six years except $2.19 average in 1922. Fortunately there were other sources of income to supplement the gifts from the church, including a substantial sum from Publishing House earnings which helped out the situation.

A very substantial sum of new money came in for endowments and annuities as noted as a good increase over the previous year. More than half of this originated with new friends who responded to monthly advertising in our publications. A large part of the rest came from those who have increased their previous annuities.

Under expenditures a slight increase in Administration expense is noted, largely due to the cost of the necessary foreign deputation. It is a coincidence that within a few dollars the expense of our India field increased $10,000 for the year while China expense decreased $10,000. For India $4,000 of this increase was exclusively due to a larger number being returned home on furlough; $5,000 in new property expense and $1,000 increase in loss in exchange due to the larger cost of the work for the year. On the other hand, the decrease in China's expense of $10,000 was due to about $6,000 decrease in building program and the rest saving in exchange. Whereas in the previous year in China we got $1.80 Mexican for each U. S. dollar ($2.00 being normal) this last year we got $1.94 average. Increase in Africa expense of nearly $3,000 appears to be represented by $2,000 extra cost sending new workers out and about $1,000 in departmental work on the field, most of the increase being noticeable in the medical work. Roughly, the $2,500 increase in Home Missions expense is due to the extra number of summer pastors sent out, which extra sum was paid by our college friends, other Home departmental increases and decreases offsetting each other.

We started the year 1926-27 with a deficit in the mission treasury of $10,116.18, and we closed with a deficit of $8,884.61.

General Mission Board.

Supports of Missionaries

The following individuals and organizations are at present on our honor roll as financial supporters of workers on the foreign field:

California—

Covina Missionary Class, one-half support of Delbert Vaniman (son of Ernest D. Vaniman), China.

I. and O. Breneman of La Verne congregation, John I. Kaylor, India.

Harmony Class and "The Gang at Home," La Verne congregation, Edward L. Brubaker (son of Leland Brubaker), China.

La Verne congregation and Sunday-school, Ernest D. Vaniman and wife, China; Lynn A. Blickenstaff and wife, India.

La Verne "Mothers' Class," Stephen Clair Blickenstaff (son of L. A. Blickenstaff), India.

Lindsay congregation, Dr. Ida Metzger, India.

Long Beach Sunday-school, Lucile G. Heckman, Africa.

Northern California Sunday-schools, Minneva Neher, China.

Southern California Sunday-schools, Clarence C. Heckman, Africa.

Colorado—

Eastern Colorado congregations, Anna N. Crumpacker, China.

Nickey, S. G., of Colorado Springs congregation, Dr. Barbara Nickey, India.

Florida—

Hollenberg, W. F., Fred M. Hollenberg, India.

Idaho—

Idaho and Western Montana Christian Workers' Societies, Anetta C. Mow, India.

Idaho and Western Montana Sunday-schools, Dr. D. L. Horning, China.

Illinois—

Butterbaugh family provide two-thirds support of A. G. Butterbaugh, India.

Individuals and Sunday-schools of Okaw congregation, J. E. Wagoner, India.

Cerro Gordo Sunday-school, Dr. A. R. Cottrell, India.

Chicago, First, Sunday-school Elementary Depts., Floyd Mallott, Jr. (son of Floyd Mallott), Africa.

Chicago, First Sunday-school, Floyd Mallott, Africa.

Decatur Sunday-school, Primary Dept., one-half support of Darlene Butterbaugh (daughter of A. G. Butterbaugh), India.

Franklin Grove congregation, Bertha L. Butterbaugh, India.

Mt. Morris College Missionary Society, D. J. Lichty, India.

Mt. Morris congregation, Ruth Ulery, China.

Mt. Morris Sunday-school, Sadie J. Miller, India.

Northern Illinois and Wisconsin Sunday-schools, Kathryn Garner, India.

Virden Sisters' Aid Society, one-half support of Leah Ruth Ebey (daughter of Adam Ebey), India.

Virden and Girard Sunday-schools, Dr. Laura M. Cottrell, India.

Wine, A. F., and wife of First Chicago congregation, Beulah Woods, India.

Wolf, J. E., and daughter Edna of Franklin Grove congregation, Mae Wolf, India.

Indiana—

Buck Creek congregation and Sunday-school, Nettie B. Summer, India.

Manchester College Sunday-school, Laura J. Shock, China.

Manchester College Student Volunteers, Clara Harper budget, $500, Africa.

Manchester Sunday-school, Alice K. Ebey, India.

Mexico congregation, Lillian Grisso, India.

Middle Indiana Sunday-schools, Mabel W. Moomaw, India.

Northern Indiana Sunday-schools, Mary Schaeffer, China; Marguerite Burke budget, $550, Africa.

Northern Indiana Y. P. D., Clara Harper budget, $500, Africa.

Pipe Creek congregation, Anna M. Forney, India.

Rossville congregation, Minerva Metzger, China.

Southern Indiana Sunday-schools, W. J. Heisey, China.

Ladies' Miss. Soc., 1st So. Bend, Dorothy Summer (daughter of B. F. Summer), India.

Iowa—

Cedar Rapids Sunday-school, Emma Horning, China.

Dallas Center Sunday-school, Helser budget, $450, Africa.

Heagley, Rebecca, Mary K. Coffman (daughter of Dr. Carl Coffman), China.

Ivester congregation, W. Harlan Smith and family, China.

North English and English River Sunday-schools, Nettie M. Senger, China.

Panther Creek Sunday-school, one-half support of Olivia D. Ikenberry, China.

South Waterloo Sunday-school, Jennie B. Miller, India.

South Waterloo Christian Workers' Society and Aid Society, A. S. B. Miller, India.

South Waterloo Sunday-school, "Loyal Helpers' Class," one-half support of Josephine Miller (daughter of A. S. B. Miller), India.

South Waterloo Sunday-school, Primary Department, Marjorie Miller (daughter of A. S. B. Miller), India.

South Waterloo Sunday-school, Intermediate and Junior Departments, Lorita Shull (daughter of C. G. Shull), India.

Waterloo City Sunday-school, Mary S. Shull, India.

Kansas—

Daggett, A. C., Martha D. Horning, China.

Northeastern Kansas Sunday-schools, Ella Ebbert, India.

Northwestern Kansas Sunday-schools, Howard L. Alley, India.

Southwestern Kansas congregations, Frank H. Crumpacker, China.

Yoder, J. D., of Monitor congregation, Lulu U. Coffman and Myrtle Pollock, China.

Maryland—

Hagerstown congregation, Harlan J. and Ruth F. Brooks, India.

Middle Maryland Sunday-schools, H. P. Garner and B. F. Summer, India.

Eastern Maryland Sunday-schools, Ethel A. Roop, India.

Y. P. D. of Maryland, D. C. and Delaware, Earl W. Flohr, Africa.

Michigan—

Oaks, Phœbe M. of Woodland congregation, Ethel A. Roop Budget, $150, India.

Missouri—

Middle Missouri congregations, one-half support of Jennie M. Mohler, India.

Ohio—

Bear Creek congregation, Anna M. Lichty, India.

Cleveland and East Nimishillen congregations, Goldie E. Swartz, India.

Covington congregation, I. W. Moomaw, India.

Eagle Creek Sunday-school, Lewis B. Flohr (son of Earl W. Flohr), Africa.

J. J. Anglemeyer's Y. P. Class, Eagle Creek, Julia A. Flohr (daughter of Earl W. Flohr), Africa.

Eversole congregation, J. H. Bright, China.

Freeburg Sunday-school, Sue R. Heisey, China.

Hartville congregation, Anna B. Brumbaugh, India.

Lick Creek congregation, Elizabeth Kintner, India.

Northwestern Ohio Sunday-schools, Hattie Z. Alley, India.

New Carlisle, West Charleston, Donnels Creek, and Springfield congregations, Hazel C. Sollenberger, China.

Olivet congregation, A. D. Helser, Africa.

Olivet Aid Soc., Esther Mae Helser (daughter of A. D. Helser), Africa.

Owl Creek congregation, Lola Helser, Africa.

Pleasant View Sunday-school, Ellen H. Wagoner, India.

Salem congregation, Minnie F. Bright, China.

Southern Ohio Sunday-schools, O. C. Sollenberger and Elizabeth Baker, China.

Trotwood congregation, Elizabeth Oberholtzer, China.

Pennsylvania—

Albright congregation and Sunday-school, one half support of Olivia D. Ikenberry, China.

Brandt, D. E., and family of Upper Conewago congregation, E. L. Ikenberry, China.

Carson Valley congregation, one-third support A. G. Butterbaugh, India.

Chiques congregation, Alice M. Graybill, Sweden.

Conestoga congregation, Ida Buckingham, Sweden.

Coventry congregation, H. Stover Kulp, Africa.

Eastern Pennsylvania Sunday-schools, Kathryn Ziegler, India.

Everett congregation, Dr. Carl Coffman, China.

Green Tree congregation, Nora Hollenberg, India.

Good Samaritan Bible Class, Walnut Grove

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The India Mission

Report for the Year 1926

A Foreword

Eliza B. Miller

THE year 1926 was a prosperous and peaceful year in the India Mission, in spite of the political reverses and storms throughout the land. The ultimate goal to a self-supporting and self-propagating church was the ideal held up with a more vigorous effort than before. Evangelism of the masses was kept foremost in all the various avenues of work throughout the mission area. Sowers and reapers have rejoiced together in the labors of the vineyard wherein commendable progress was made in the establishment of a deeper faith in those already brought to Christ and in the addition to the fold of those who would be saved. Greater opportunities and more ready, open-hearted responses were never better. All have experienced great joy in the blessings the "new day" in India is bringing.

The missionary staff was reduced by the home-going of ten in March and the return of only one and the addition of one new one in October. The harvest still continues abundant; but the laborers few.

Evangelistic Work

Bro. Wagoner writes:

"During the touring season we have been in ten camps. Responses everywhere are much better than last year. Attendance averaged from 125 to 600 in the night meetings, and from fifty to 200 for the afternoon meetings for women and children. I am sure that over 4,000 different people have heard the gospel story this season.

"Last year our people seemed a little fearful of the Christ story, so we made an effort to get more courage into them by having a special institute at Wankal in November. Here we had men as speakers who are successful evangelists and leaders in church work, and we are sure that their efforts had good effect.

"The people have been very friendly, though not all are eager for the Gospel. At Chari, when we began to present Christianity, the Koli people left in a body. This was repeated in part at Navera. But on the whole they have been responsive to our teaching. What opposition there may be is carried on behind our backs. However, the story in song by the organ or the



The deputation, Brethren Yoder and Bonsack, arriving at Vyara Station on Dec. 4, 1927. Boys and girls of the two schools lined up in two long rows and the tonga drove through. After they got out of the tonga and passed through the lines to the front porch, they were pelted with flower petals.

graphophone is always eagerly listened to—mostly for the music, I think. But by explaining the meaning of these songs we again have opportunity for getting a hearing for our message.

"On Jan. 23 there were baptized thirty-three boys from the Wankal school. This is much the largest single group we have ever had from this section. A few years ago a boy was baptized there and the next morning there were only half a dozen boys left in the boarding. We do not anticipate anything of this kind now.

"Among the more encouraging features are these: people ask us to come to their village and give religious talks—also temperance and hygiene. Then there are several very urgent requests for us to open village schools. **Only a few days ago a deputation of ten men walked nearly ten miles to present their petition for a school.** And these people are all willing to furnish a house for the school and a place for the teacher. In my opinion we should very earnestly consider these openings. When we reflect on the number of years we have worked for the opportunity to teach these people it surely seems a shame that we must say 'No' when they come to us. 'Brethren, these things ought not so to be.' We ought to be able to strike while the iron is hot. At Navera we had a meeting of the Christian boys on Sunday morning. Their testimonies were inspiring. They were full of faith and confidence. All they will need to make a strong community is a strong, faithful and spiritual Christian teacher in a village school. We covet your prayers for them and us."

The First Church in India—Bulsar

Govindji K. Satvedi

I THINK Bulsar church has one more push when she has her own pastor. She is making a fine progress. Eld. Wagner Sahib was out in the district for evangelistic work, with his family, from November. So I had to go on with the church business, and am glad to say we got some results.

To carry on the work of the church with felicity we have been having the following committees:

Committee for cemetery, poor fund committee, social committee, church committee, joint station committee, Sunday-school committee, The punch committee.

I would like to say something about the punch committee. All disputes and quarrels of the church are brought before this committee for decision. The people are satisfied with its work. Moreover, it takes a vigilant part in the marriage problem and its expenses.

All other committees have their own sittings and the church is satisfied with their work.

The church attendance has increased considerably, and some of the Sunday-schools also.

A couple who work outside in the railway began to smoke. But the worst of it was that they were doing so while going to and fro. I met all such personally and explained the effect of their practice on the community children, and am glad to say that since then I have seen none of them smoking on the road.

I found half a dozen playing cards in order to pass their time and keep awake. I talked with such persons and explained that there was no harm for them, perhaps, in simply playing, but it would be a stumbling-block to some of their children, or one who saw them playing. I also told them that playing may lead them to gambling and many other sins. Thanks to the Lord that they promised not to play any more, and even gave away the cards.

It gives me special pleasure when I think of the evangelistic week work which was done this year. The church decided that each member should take part in this work, at least a full week in February. So the community was divided into three groups or tollis. The school staff made up the first group and the other, including myself, who can go out in a tolli.

This is the amount of the work:

Two groups.
Fifteen individual workers.
Seventy-five total volunteers.
Seventeen meetings held.
The Gospel preached to 1,600.
Three hundred and twenty-four Gospels sold.
Eight hundred leaflets distributed free.
Eight New Testaments sold.
Two Bibles sold.
Sixteen tracts sold.
Eight dollars' worth of books sold.



Vyara Girls' School

In the picture in the river bed, the girls (22) and Shivalal master (headmaster) were on their way to a village three miles away to help in the evening service.

Eight free cart service.

Some personal improvements like these also are taking place, which makes us glad.

Our first group went out with picture roll and musical instruments for a week. They met a very backward class at a well near the mission house, where such people stop for rest over night with their loaded and empty carts. You can scarcely find a man in this crowd who can read. This is a very superstitious class. Still they enjoyed the Gospel. This tolli sold eight Gospels to them.

Our second group worked for four first days with such people, but in the meanwhile Eld. Wagoner came home from the district, so we took him with his lantern slides and servant, Okarlal, who was operating the lantern. We went out in different villages for six days. Thirty persons came out with us. We started from home at about 7 A. M. and came back by midnight or even later. To these villages we sold 116 Gospels and some New Testaments.

Generally we find no opposition, but in one place a high-caste Hindu came in and scolded the people, telling them to run away from us. We asked why he was doing so. He said, "You Christians are a very meek people. You talk peacefully, sow seeds, and go home. After a long time the seeds grow, and we are led to doubt our religion and compelled to believe yours. That's the way our Hinduism is losing day by day. So we don't want to hear you." None listened to him and so he had to go home, leaving us with a nice, attentive crowd.

Those who couldn't join any tolli work individually, took the Gospels, and gave to their fellow-workers and went out at their ease for evangelism.

One old man went out to buy hay. He took some Gospels with him. He talked to the villagers where he stayed over night and sold the books.

One fellow kept some books at his shop; kept some with him in his pocket, sold them while traveling in railways, and talked to the folks whenever he went on his business.

Some schoolboys sold Gospels to their fellow-students and talked about Jesus. One brother, Premchan Dhanji, stopping with his sick wife, went out with Gospels to a neighboring station, Pani, during a fair and sold nearly 120 Gospels.

Some could sell books and some could talk, but on the whole all took part in the evangelistic week work and enjoyed it. Some are so much interested in this work that they like to go out to other villages with the lantern. "So, then, neither is he that planteth anything, neither he that watereth, but God that giveth the increase."

We hope and pray and labor that God may be glorified by this first old church and fulfill his will in the establishment of his kingdom here. Amen.

Anklesvar

THE work of this station has enjoyed a successful year. The different departments are so related that from each one have come those who entered the Christian life. The early part of the year evangelistic work was done by Bro. A. S. B. Miller's who, in April, sailed for their furlough. Their work was brought to a close with two meetings—a love feast and the competing singing bands. After their going the work was placed in the care of Bro. Long's. The district work and schools were supervised by Bro. T. B. Jerome.

At this station the church has agreed to take over and direct the evangelistic work. The missionaries are no longer the ones who must see to everything. The church is the center of station life. No longer do workers impose the Gospel upon India from without the church. The workers can now say they are the church, supported by the church. This fact, when understood by Hindus and the Moslem community, will receive their approval, which ought to be much gain. At least we await with interest the progress of the Gospel, from now on.

Our boys and girls have their part also in evangelism. Bands of them have gone to different places, some near and some farther away. With their singing they make contacts which are worth while. The aim is to give them as much practical training in this work as possible while they pursue their school work.

During the summer vacation the girls who remained in the hostel were taken to more than a half dozen different villages where they rendered a program on evangelism and temperance. In most cases large crowds came to hear them, which greatly encouraged them to go on. When not too far they walked; otherwise they went in carts. One village was kind enough to give two carts for this purpose. We were glad to know that villagers, seeing and hearing these girls, were encouraged to do something for their own daughters, who are never even given a thought toward an education. Sentiment is still very little among the common people for the education of girls.

One Christian farmer has fallen into the hands of money lenders, who are seldom just. They take from him his crops and anything else he may have that is of any use. This necessitated his leaving his village and people, to go elsewhere that he might get land. The village to which he went has heard the Gospel for the first time through him. He is especially religiously inclined, and so makes the work of the Lord his first work. He invited a Christian band to come. Very few in that village were absent that night. A very favorable impression was made, so that since then there are inquirers concerning the Christian religion. A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump.

A year ago one man, who was tempted by drink, became convicted of the evil in it. He came before the church, made his confession, and has lived free from it ever since. He testifies to the wonderful help he has received from the Lord in giving up this evil. He has taken to the suggestion of having a special place in his house for prayer, where he gathers his family daily and they are a family which is shedding an influence worth-while.

One illiterate Christian taught his wife all he knew and brought her to one of the camps, desiring that she be baptized. After some days of instructing and teaching she was given the rite. Both went home happy, though they received the usual persecution and without fail will continue to receive it, yet they face it with pathetic bravery. When brothers and other relatives told them they would no longer eat and drink with them, have no fellowship with them, their only answer was, "We cannot help it. We know sooner or later you will do as we have done. The Lord will bring you to serve him, just as he has us." Is that not faith? They are the only Christians in their village and no others nearer than six miles.

Considerable work is being done in and about Anklesvar as we find time to go into homes. Many splendid contacts have been made, but there is so much yet to do! These contacts come about in various ways. Sometimes sickness throws us together; at other times, while riding on the train, we make acquaintances with those who live in

this town; again some sort of school work will make an acquaintance, and one time a basket of fruit, taken by mistake, was the means of a contact. There is very little of the unfriendly type which we meet. We had a Christmas greeting from a non-Christian, who did the greeting in the name of Christ. This surely shows that prejudices are less than ever.

The Vocational Training School began the third year June 5, with an enrollment of about sixty. Of these boys forty are completing the seventh standard and the others are in the normal department. One-half of the boys attend school in the morning and the other half in the afternoon. Their program for the forenoon is: morning prayers, breakfast, Bible classes, field and shop work. For the afternoon it is class work, recreation, evening meal, evening study and evening prayers.

After leaving school here the boys will need to return to the villages from which they came. Many would rather not do this, but there is no other way open to them. So we endeavor to give them the kind of training that will serve them best when they return to their homes. In the beginning it has been nearly impossible to get teachers for rural-life subjects. But as teachers become available it will become possible to use agriculture, poultry husbandry and shop work as media of instruction along with the common branches. Recently the boys opened a coöperative bank. Their accounts are small, of course, but they have their secretary and managing board and carry on their own affairs in a businesslike way. It is hoped that this will not only teach the boys thrift, but enable them to make intelligent use of the Farmers' Cooperative Banks when they leave school.

One of the most hopeful events of the past year has been the adoption, by government, of the special agricultural course for rural schools. Mission schools have from the beginning tried to supplement the "learning" with practical arts. During the past thirty years, when learning and manual labor were not good friends, the Brethren Mission has held to its policy of a school garden and a shop for each boarding school. Now it is a most hopeful sign to see many of the better government schools joining in a larger effort for rural education.

The Normal School was conducted through the year. Out of twelve, eight passed in the first-year examination. Most of them are now teaching. The first class we had went out over a year ago. In some cases the project method has been followed, and with good results. We feel sure that if we had some one to supervise and follow up the work better results would be the outcome.

The girls' school has gone on quite as usual, with improvements here and there. We are now in a better position to choose our girls, and thus not have so many stupid ones in the list. When they finish the sixth standard, there is a government course open to girls, which adds to their training. Each year, so far, our girls have taken the first and second prizes in the entire district. This speaks well for our school. High castes hitherto have had the impression that lower classes are not mentally able to measure with their children. Opportunity is what they would not grant to lower castes if they could help it. Out of thirty-five candidates, fifteen passed, and seven of these were our girls. A goodly number; yes, most of them are from the high-caste circles, and several had their third trial at this examination, many of them the second. All our candidates went up their first time. The Anklesvar government girls' school sent up five, all high-caste girls, and every one failed.

Our girls had more than full work, for besides this course, four of them were in sixth standard and took several subjects from the practical arts course. Three of these students are to be teachers in the school from now on. Much useful help in teaching was given us by Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Long the fore part of the year and last year as well.

A new item for the practical arts girls was the conducting of a small store by two of them. This was for all the schoolgirls who needed articles in school or hostel. We trust this has given them an experience which will prove of much value to them hereafter. India's women need to have more of the training which will make them self-reliant. Thousands of women become widows and are as helpless as a small child, dependent entirely on others.

Palghar

F. M. and Nora Hollenberg

A BRIEF survey of conditions of the year 1926 presents a report similar to the previous years since we began work here. True it is that each year has brought added material blessings. During 1926 a new teachers' line was erected; a well bored and pump installed; a carpenter shop begun just at the close of the year; the schoolrooms have new and added equipment. Here and there on the compound somewhere there has always been some one giving his full time for the material blessings of us and the Indians.

This temporal progress has far exceeded the development of the spiritual morale among our people here. Suffice it to say that both shepherd and flock may be blamed for this. This is the grievous part of our report, but facts must be stated as they are. God alone is able to judge fully the progress of the soul. But certainly it is our duty to spend more energy in building up the spiritual structure than to devote so much energy doing the physical chores. Too often the end of a day found us fagged out by mere physical efforts. Sometimes we have entrusted these people in our charge when they were weak and unworthy. Other times we did not trust them where they were strong and deserving. Another year would find us benefiting by the lessons of this year's mistakes, just as last year's progress, in part, was reaped by failures of the past.

Again, as in our two previous years, the educational work, along with the station duties, has been the only phase of work emphasized. However, be it understood that in all the educational work the aim has been to put Christ first. To help promote this aim in the school, the missionary in charge taught daily Bible lessons, in the three upper grades, throughout the year as well as special classes for the teachers.

A few changes were made in the teaching force of the school, this year, by dismissing two whose influence was a greater detriment than benefit to the boys. Mr. V. J. Gorde has been retained as head master. His taking hold of responsibilities as they were given him is encouraging.

When the school opened last June the seventh standard was introduced for the first time. A teacher from the town school consented to help teach the boys in this standard and he has rendered satisfactory services.

Self-government among the boys in the boarding has been retained. The Hindu boys were kept under the care and supervision of married Hindu men, each leader being responsible for a certain number of boys.

There has been an average enrollment of seventy-five pupils throughout the year. The average attendance has been a little below seventy-five, due to sickness and Hindu holidays.

Medical work has been carried on in a very limited way and only for the benefit of the schoolboys and people on the compound. The health of the boys, people on the compound and missionary family has been such as is deserving of praise. The whooping cough epidemic was the only disease that caused us some anxiety because of our three small children, but they escaped by a very light attack of it. Dr. Nickey, in her annual examination report, pronounced the health of the schoolboys above the average.

A number of attempts have been made to teach reading, writing, sewing, and simple Bible truths to the Hindu women on the compound, but each attempt proved a failure, due to lack of a faithful, consecrated Indian woman.

The evangelistic work of the surrounding villages has been in the hands of Kalyan Bhosle. He has been living at Pancharlie all year. Here also his wife conducted a school for children of the primary grades.

The evangelistic work of the compound has been in the care of Satwick Ranadive, from town. He has been faithful in taking charge of the Sunday afternoon services. His sermons have been delivered with force and showed preparation. Beginning with the New Year he refused to be supported financially by the mission. Judging from recent steps he has taken we are hopeful of this man rendering valuable services in God's kingdom, even as old as he is. We should never cease to pray for a man after he gets a vision of service and is willing to move out in the face of persecution.

The Palghar church had a membership of

forty during 1926. The only baptism was the young daughter of Rev. Ranadive. The Palghar church is still in its infancy, and just as soon as there is an infilling by the Holy Spirit, of her members, that soon will she rise from her slumbers and energize mighty deeds for Christ.

Vali Station

D. J. Lichty

FOR the satisfactory care and operation of the Vali School, as well as the farm and gardens connected thereto, much credit is due to Brethren Govindji Chelarav, the head master, and Raghavji Ramabhai, the boarding master. With but few exceptions the work of their assistants was also praiseworthy. The missionary in charge, being mission builder, and often busied with work of a general character, could not give as much of his time to the church and school as they deserved. Mrs. Lichty had her hands full caring for the sick of the school and the community in connection with her little dispensary. She conducted sewing classes for women and girls and directed work among the non-Christian women of the village, while at the same time caring for the home and being on hand to help out in many an emergency in the absence of her husband.

The school consisted of one Parsee, ninety-nine Christian and thirty-five Bhil children. Of these, sixty-seven claim Christian parentage and sixty-eight non-Christian. Thirteen were girls, all being Christian. Ninety-nine took the annual government examination and ninety-three passed. Of the 1926 sixth standard, eight boys entered the seventh standard in the Anklesvar Vocational Training School, and two young men, having completed first year teacher-training, returned to Vali to teach where they formerly had been students. An encouraging feature of our work is the increasing number of boys from the hill country, a section where our mission agents have not yet worked to any extent.

Owing to general drought the 1925-26 harvest was short in this section, so that the school farm and garden were only fairly productive. Of forty-five acres, twenty-five were devoted to the cultivation of cotton, kaffir corn, rice, pulse, and garden fruits and vegetables. There are fifteen cattle, both milk cows and oxen, owned by the boarding-school.

The official staff of the Vali church consisted of one elder and five deacons. While we had but six baptisms during the year, there was noticeable improvement in the spiritual tone of the church. A new spirit of evangelism sprung up, so that of Sunday evenings and throughout the Christmas-New Year holidays many neighboring villages heard the Gospel by word and song from the lay members of our community. Through their influence a school was opened in a near-by village. The Vali church membership consists of teachers, farmers, carpenters, day laborers, servants, and school-children. Owing to two successive partial-crop failures our farmers have had a hard time to hold their own, so that church finances are not as flourishing as could be desired.

It is encouraging to see how our people now take to Christian marriage. Nine couples were united in wedlock by the writer in 1926, and the new year starts out auspiciously with two more. Several of these weddings were not only a novelty in the communities where they were held, but they received the hearty approval of a goodly number of high-caste neighbors who attended.

Vyara Station

J. M. Blough

THE missionary staff during the year consisted of Miss Mow, in charge of the Girls' Boarding-School and secretary of the station; Miss Woods, who passed her first-year's language examination and assisted in the Girls' School; the Bloughs, who had charge of the Boys' Boarding-School and evangelistic work; the Brookses, who are in language study, but on account of Sister Brooks' illness were absent from the station all the year.

The Church

This church has had a pastor now for three years, although the missionary is still the elder. This is a large and very much-scattered church, and it is impossible for the pastor to visit all the members in a year, for half of his time is given to other mission work. Seventy were baptized during the year. This brings the membership to 1,430.



A Religious Fair

A picture of the big JATRA (religious fair) held at Vyara in January, 1927. This gives some idea of the crowd although not half or a third shows in this picture. In foreground, at left, are our Mission tents, and the sheet iron booth which our Christians put up. For five days three times a day services were held. Boys and girls of the school helped in meeting with singing.

About two hundred of these live at Vyara, and the rest in the villages scattered over three townships. Most of the members live in thirty villages. The largest group of Christians is 140. Two love feasts were held at the station and several in the villages. One minister was elected. We have six deacons. All mission workers paid the tithe during the year toward our church building fund. This increased our church contributions 100%. We are greatly in need of a churchhouse. Of course the villages will need chapels of their own besides.

Sunday Schools

The Sunday-schools are wholly managed by Indians, but missionaries are teachers in the station school. There are thirty-two village Sunday-schools conducted by the mission workers. In April the annual examination was held, with a fair result. The primary children use graded lessons. There were twelve classes in the station school. A teacher-training class was held toward the close of the year, of twenty-three pupils, and all passed.

Boys' Boarding-School

The hostel was full all the year; really a part of the year it was overcrowded, for there was such a pressure for boys to enter. The average for the year was 117, and we found it very difficult to support this number, so we have arranged to admit only 100 regularly from now on. The attendance was more regular than sometimes in the past and they returned more promptly after vacation. The day school ran regularly throughout the year with seven teachers. We changed their program a bit. Now all go to school at the same time from 8 to 11:30 and 1 to 2:30. From 2:30 to 5:30 all go to work in shop or garden or special jobs. All the larger boys get their turn in carpentry and tailoring as well as farming and gardening. After this is their play hour and a study period of two hours in the evening. Six boys were sent to the training school at Anklesvar this year. The carpenter boys helped very much with the building work on the girls' compound. They also cut all our hay.

Evangelistic Work

Oh, the joys of evangelistic work! The appeal of the villages is so great and the response so encouraging that one is drawn into this work with all his energy. We work among 100,000 people, of whom 90% are aborigines. They are animists by religion, which means they have no organized worship and no religious leaders. Moreover, they are illiterate and backward and mostly

poor. They are, indeed, like the multitudes Christ's loving eyes rested upon—"sheep without a shepherd." We are trying to be Christ's undershepherds to them. They are responsive and for the most part willing to be shepherded.

Thirty villages were occupied by mission workers as teachers and evangelists. These, directly and indirectly, through schools, are carrying on the work of evangelism during twelve months of the year. In addition to these are three supervisor-evangelists who visit the village schools once or twice a month, and encourage both the workers and the village Christians.

Then during the open season of the year two groups of preachers tour as many of the villages as possible, always spending several days in each occupied village and going to as many new ones as the time will permit. Early in the year our party entered a new field and received a most hearty welcome. Crowds of people came to hear. One evening it rained at 5 o'clock and we thought there could be no meeting because people must sit on the ground. But the people came and gladly sat on the wet ground for over an hour while we sang and preached to them.

In a few villages in the district a weekly bazaar is held, where many people come for a day to buy and to sell. We attend as many of these as we can reach and locate ourselves under a shade tree near by, and for two hours preach to hundreds of people who otherwise would have no opportunity. There are also two annual fairs in our field which we attend. The one here at Vyara is the largest and lasts for five days. In this we have a booth and have preaching services three times a day for two hours at a time. This is a fine opportunity. But at night there was an opposition meeting held close by. Yes, the enemy is awake and trying to keep these people from knowing the truth. But Christ will win.

Last of all I want to refer to our evangelistic month. February has been set apart for a campaign of special evangelism by the whole church. In it all workers, school-children, laymen and village Christians are expected to take part. Our boarding-school teachers and boys went out in three groups for a week, and the workers combined in a number of groups along with the village school-children and independent Christians. In this way many villages were visited and many Gospels sold. God be praised for this noble service!

Jalalpor Church and Evangelistic Work

B. M. Mow

JALALPOR, which is by interpretation City of Glory, sounds like an interesting place to work—perhaps. There is little glory to be seen at present. But the missionary casts an eye into the future when the kingdom of heaven permeates India like the leaven our Lord mentioned. Then there will be a truer glory than a mere high-sounding name.

Our church here has shown a more rapid growth recently; in fact, within the last three years almost a hundred have been brought in by baptism, and this is half the number on the roll. Forty-four is the number in 1926. The largest single agency is the Girls' Boarding-School. In it the girls are under Christian influence steadily, and every year brings in several of them for baptism. Their real test will come when they return to their villages and depressing influences, to be married off perhaps to heathen boys or men. Or, if they escape that, but go on to higher education and position, the enemy they must contend with is pride.

The village masters have a splendid opportunity to witness and bring others in. Some are more active than others, and then circumstances differ in various communities. I was happy to hear of some fifteen men desiring baptism in one section. Smaller numbers are expected at other places.

One of our chief activities during the cool of the winter season is evangelization among the villages of the district. The party consists of an evangelist or supervisor, who does the preaching; the missionary; and such local Christians as can come along. At night the villagers assemble, after their day's work (if any) is done, to see the lantern pictures (of life of Christ, etc.) and hear the music we furnish, and some to hear the Word also. During the day, we have many people to talk with, along with the moving and other activities. At the beginning of the year this work was under

the care of Eld. D. L. Forney, who camped in a tent. His successor is trying it without a tent, in such quarters as the Christian teacher can provide. And he eats their food —every one prepares a chicken in his honor —usually cooked up with so much pepper that he can scarcely tell whether he is eating chicken or fish! Much tea must also be drunk.

In February we observe Evangelistic Week, in which every member seeks to present the Christian faith to his neighbors as much as possible, and considerable literature is sold. The masters and boys go in bands to surrounding villages with the message. In Self-denial Week relatively much money is given by our members. During 1926 the church gave over 400 rupees, most of it into the care of the District Mission. Some forty-five were given to Bible and tract societies, a quantity to sustain an aged man, and some to help one of our village masters whose hut was broken into and his utensils, etc., stolen.

On Oct. 22 we had a great day at Jalalpor, calling in the village workers, as many as could come. The purpose was to ordain one or more Indian brethren to the eldership. Eld. J. M. Blough was present to give the homily on what an elder should be, and Eld. Long also was present. The mind of the church was to give the office to Nathalal Mahida and Lallu Kalidas, who have been active workers for many years. The former gives much time to temperance work, and also supervises schools. He is living at Unai—so called from the hot springs there—and every year thousands of Hindus come there to bathe in the water sacred to Mata (the mother goddess). Lallu has been living at Bilimora as evangelist. But only a few days after this occasion he was stricken with paralysis. His recovery is very slow, and he can not talk.

A love feast also was held at that time. Our members being scattered over two counties (Jalalpor and Chikhli), they can not often assemble, therefore they enjoy such occasions.

There was general joy at the reopening of the Bible School at Bulsar. Three men went from Jalalpor, from June to December. We have hope for more efficient and energetic teaching as more of our men do thus. Our workers and those of Bulsar had our institute at Wankal this year for a change. All enjoyed thus getting out (fifteen miles) into the country, and seeing the promising Boys' Boarding-School there. One book of the Bible was studied, and some methods.

We have some sixteen schools operating in the villages. Their attendance ranges from ten or twelve to above 100, and the total is about 400. Most of the "houses" are of bamboo and thatch. The latter must be renewed every year. Sometimes the location of the school is changed. When the village people give some help in erecting or repairing the schools we are happy. The better ones receive some aid from the government.

The masters get a wage depending on education and experience, in which our rules follow generally the custom of the country. But some wages seem to us pitifully small, several getting about six dollars per month! Child allowances may increase this somewhat. In this country of grossly uneconomic beliefs and customs, wages are bound to be low, and prices relatively high. Wages (and third class railway fares) are about the only things that **are** cheap here. Our team of oxen is an expensive luxury, costing as much for support as two families. We employ about twenty-five teachers, and their wage comes to about $2,500 yearly. Other things add $1,500 more. Miss Miller's school takes about $2,000. We have possibilities of expansion, also, as we become better known and understood. One thing we are rejoicing over is the entrance of a couple of Christian boys into the Jalalpor public school—a move that was stoutly resisted a few years ago by the townspeople.

An activity we are eager to develop is evangelization among the Mohammedans. They are a minority of the population in this section (as also in most of India), but they are influential. They usually have definite opinions, and are more aggressive in expressing and championing them. We must by all means pay more attention to these people and win some of them. This decision at least has been arrived at thus far. We are getting acquainted with some of them, and laying our plans. Those we have met have usually been friendly—probably not so much from any spirit of love, but because they regard us as an immature variety of Moslem, not knowing the wide

gulf that lies between the teaching of the New Testament and the Koran. No task requires the guidance of the Holy Spirit more than that of pressing the claims of Christ upon a Moslem with just enough vigor to win his attention, but not enough to arouse his enmity. We crave your earnest prayers for the success of all this work.

Umalla Men's Evangelistic Work

B. F. Summer

THE open touring season of the year, January, February, and December, was spent in tenting and touring in new territory. In all, fifty villages were visited, many for the first time, and the rest for the second time, these latter having been visited for the first time only the year previous. A few of these villages we visited during the day, but as a general rule the men for the most part being busy in their fields and other work during the day, we usually entered a village in the evening. Then, after the men came in from their work in the fields and had eaten their supper, they would gather at some favorable spot in one of the streets, and all sitting on the ground in the open would attentively listen to our music, singing and preaching and observe the magic-lantern slide pictures which we showed of the life of Christ. At the close of these services we would sell Gospels, small song books, and New Testaments, and distribute tracts. In all we sold over two hundred Gospels and about forty New Testaments. Thus by our visiting and forming acquaintances and friendships, and by our singing and praying and preaching and the showing of lantern-slide pictures, and by distributing the printed Word we trust that we have sown seed in this new large field that will result in fruitage to God's glory and the salvation of these needy people. But much persistent follow-up work will be imperative for good results of this first sowing, for "unless they have some one to guide them" they will not be able to understand.

The people in general showed friendliness and respect. Only in two villages were we denied the privilege of holding a meeting. It was also very encouraging to notice the increase of friendliness and openness of the people in villages where we visited the second time, our first visit to them with the gospel message being the year previous. These people are of a sturdy farming class and well worth winning to God's kingdom.

To tent and tour in new fields and present the gospel story to people for the first time in their lives is a very joyful and most challenging experience.

It was also a special pleasure that Mrs. Summer and little Dorothy Mae could be along in the tent for seventy-eight consecutive days and in good health all the while. They won special friendship from the people in villages where we pitched our tent.

The work of the village schools in the district progressed nicely during the year, with few exceptions. One school grew to an enrollment of over fifty and an average attendance of about forty-five. In this school there are three teachers. Two new schools also were opened during the year. In one of these the teacher is a young man who received his training in the Anklesvar Vocational Training School, and his winning way and application of the "new method" is bringing response and results from the children in a most surprising manner. In one village, where for a number of years there have been a few Christians, eleven more were added by baptism, most of whom were young married couples. On the same evening a very inspiring love feast was held, with Christians from near-by villages also attending.

Evangelistic Report for Dahanu Road

Mary B. Royer

AT the beginning of the year our regular preaching services followed the Sunday-school period in the morning. In the afternoons we went to near-by villages to give the Gospel. There were three groups of women and girls and two groups of men.

Bro. Butterbaugh, who was missionary in charge until his furlough time in March, was hindered from doing district evangelistic work on account of having charge of the building of the hospital. For lack of qualified Indian help Miss Royer was handicapped until the hot season. At that time of year it is not wise to attempt to live in a tent. But having found an ex-

ceptionally good camping place, and at another place a government bungalow, she was able to spend a few weeks in the district.

Dr. Metzger and Miss Royer spent a month before Christmas in a section where our women workers had never camped. Visits were made to neighboring villages at noon and sometimes in the evening. A request came from one village, asking whether they had pictures like "Alley Sahib" showed when he camped there, and whether they would come and show them. There were no pictures (magic lantern) like "Alley Sahib" had, but a number of Sunday-school Lesson Picture Rolls and a gas lantern answered the purpose very well. At least ten visits were made to that village, and there was a responsive, interested crowd each time.

Every Sunday evening our Indian preacher and a number of other Christian men from the station went to the camp and conducted meetings. Their presence with their Indian drums and cymbals added much to the interest of the services and their help was greatly appreciated.

One of the most encouraging results of their stay at that place is that a Warli (name of the majority of village people of this section) lad earnestly requested to be taken on work. This was most unusual, as heretofore none of that caste would work on the mission compound. Many have been told by the landowners to have nothing to do with us. This lad is now Miss Royer's bullock driver and is happy in his new duties. Rumor has it that if he continues to work for the missionaries he will not get the girl to whom he is engaged. He seems inclined to stay on.

Eight were added to the church by baptism during the year. One of these, a young man, formerly a pupil in one of our village schools, and now a dispensary servant, was baptized shortly before Christmas. He had been wanting, for some time, to become a Christian, but he knew it would mean a complete break with his family. He frequently said, "I would like to come, but I cannot suffer the consequences." But, praise God! he became willing to suffer whatever might come. His wife and father created rather an anxious situation for several days, but he remained firm. His wife, who had left him, returned after a short time and seems contented to live with him. He goes out every Sunday to assist in the district evangelistic work and is a happy and earnest witness for the Master.

Touring in Raj Pipla State

Kathryn Ziegler

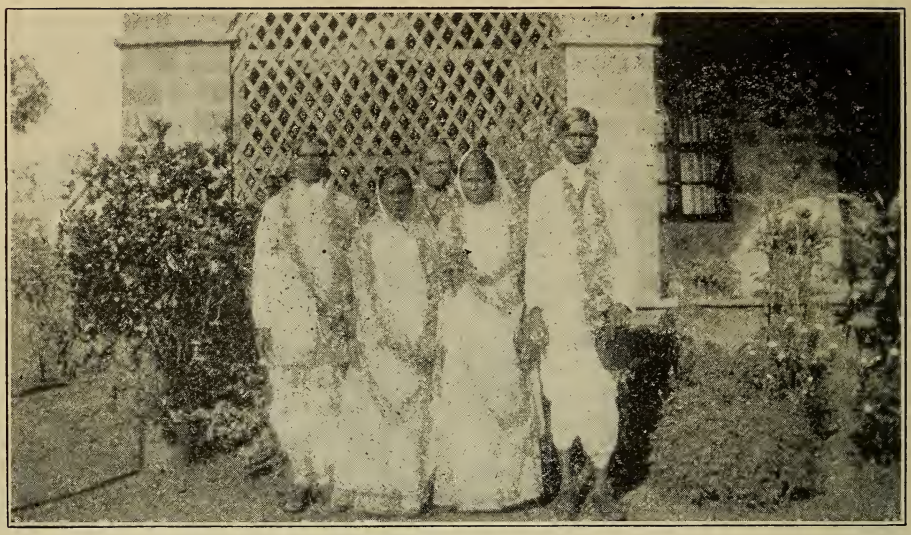
OUR evangelistic band started out early in the year, camping in six different villages, staying about a week in each village. About all the meetings were held in the villages where we camped, but we had meetings in other near-by villages.

The work among the women was mostly personal; either they came to our camp or we went to their homes. Sometimes we succeeded in having women's meetings during the day, if they were not too busy with field work, for the time we can be out in the villages on account of weather conditions is always the farmers' busy season, and all hands that can work are in the field.

In four of the villages where we camp there are some Christian women. Several women were baptized in one village since we last camped there, among them an elderly woman with whom we had labored, but who gave us little hope of ever becoming a Christian. She said, "My sons are Christians and that will do," so when we learned that she was one of them that were baptized we greatly rejoiced and praised the Lord that this mother had made a start in the new life. What we long to see is to have husband and wife come into the new life together, and this happened, too, in the same village. We look forward to camping there again this year, and hope to have a glorious time together. We need to uphold these new Christians with other village Christians, that they become strong and able to withstand the temptations that come to them, and that they may be live wires and bring others to the Master.

We like it when people ask us to come to their village to hold meetings, but we are not always so welcome, and feel as though the time had come to shake the dust off on them and go on.

Again we get into some villages where people are afraid and hide from us. We entered a village and saw no one, but evidently some one had peeped through the air holes in the wall of their huts, for one



A Double Wedding in India

Two of Miss Mow's schoolgirls and two of J. M. Blough's schoolboys married at 8:30 on March 2, 1927. The couple on the left live in a village three miles east of Vyara, and he is the teacher in that village school. The pastor, Jivanji, stands in the center.

courageous soul, more so than the rest, came out and gave us a bed to sit on, but she "took her life and went," as they say in Gujarati. We began to sing, "All sinners come to Jesus," but no sinners appeared, and we soon left. No doubt those village folks felt easy to see us leave as they peeped out after us.

Considering these conditions, the cold weather, the open-air meetings and the very scanty clothing that these people have, our services are well attended and there is remarkably good attention, but they are not stirred as we wish to see it and do not ask what they must do to be saved. One almost comes to the conclusion that they do not know their lost condition, do not have a sense of sin.

But it is for us to so love and labor on in the power and strength of the Master, ever remembering that God said his Word would not return to him void.

Umalla, via Anklesvar, India.

Vyara Girls' School

Anetta C. Mow

Jan. 4. School began after Christmas vacation; seventy-five girls enrolled. Ten girls took the train to Anklesvar to attend school there.

9. Twenty girls went to Ambafali to spend two days in camp, testifying for Christ.

13. School attended the Baroda King's Jubilee Program on the courthouse grounds. Several girls received prizes in the sports.

14. Jumnabai and Miss Mow attend a Conference at Ahmedabad for house-masters and matrons.

17. Group of girls went to the tent at Davilpadi; sang songs, told Bible stories, and gave parts of Christmas program.

28. Snapped a dozen pictures of the school for the Lincoln Conference exhibit.

Feb. 6-8. Group of girls went to Champavadi to help in evangelistic work.

8. Class of twelve girls began to study English.

10. Dr. A. R. Cottrell came to Vyara to examine all school-children. Iron tonic, spleen mixture and sulphur-salve were prescribed.

14. Thirty girls received song-books for committing seventy-five Bible verses.

14-21. Teachers and girls of the school held meetings in surrrounding villages each evening. Every morning, at the close of prayers, the girls do the daily dozen.

March 29. Love feast; over 700 present. Twenty-seven were baptized.

April 10. Girls took the All-India-Sunday-school examination.



Girls' School at Vyara

"My School" taken in the front yard. Seventy-five girls in this picture. I had tried to have the letters in Gujarati but it didn't work because Gujarati letters are too fancy and intertwined to show up in a picture.—Anetta Mow.

24. Twenty-five people with tropical ulcers on their feet were sitting in front of the bungalow by 6:30 in the morning. Two hours spent in dressing them.

May 2. Schoolgirls gave a fine temperance program in their afternoon meeting.

11-31. Girls go home for one month of vacation.

24. Moved into new cook house, grinding room, "godown" and isolation ward.

June 7. Girls make six flower-beds in the school yard. The swing and teeter-totter and "jungle cage" are in running order and are in constant demand.

July 6. Miss Mow left for Landour, and Miss Woods took charge of the school.

July-Aug. Very hard rains; school roof leaked. One Sunday morning the girls had to be carried across the creek on their way to church. Grass-cutting is the order of the day.

Sept. 3. Miss Mow returned to her school duties.

14-17. Children have Shraddh holiday.

October 1. The school-chickens supply plenty of eggs. Girls enjoy egg-shake. Sewing classes meet each evening. Every girl in the school makes a garment. The V Standard girls knit hoods, booties and scarfs.

15. Bought 8 sacks rice, 5 sacks jewar, 4 wheat, 4 pulse, 1 salt, 2 cans coal oil, 40 lbs. sugar, 40 lbs. sweet oil, 20 lbs. potatoes, 16 lbs. ghi.

Nov. 19-30. Workers' Institute; love feast held at the beginning of the session. Special meetings and classes were held for the girls. Seven girls were baptized.

22. Miss Woods moved to Anklesvar.

26. Rashmi killed a cobra behind the schoolhouse.

Dec. 7. Bought seventy-five saris—one apiece for each girl in the school.

16. Some fifty little chicks have hatched out. The school must pay a fine for building the wire chicken pen, without having received permission from the government to do so. The fine amounts to about twenty cents!

19. Twenty girls went to Saraya to help in village work for two days.

24. Candle service held at the church. Every one present held a lighted candle.

25. At 4:30 the girls began the day by singing Christmas carols. Christmas program. Girls gave $4 as their "White Gift" toward the building of the Vyara church, by denying themselves four items of food for two weeks.

25. At noon, girls started home for ten-day vacation.

31. A group of girls enjoyed two days at Dolara, telling and singing and living the gospel story.

Vyara, via Surat, India.

Jalalpor Girls' School

LAST year was the best in the history of this school. It came nearer in living up to the purpose of its existence than in any previous year of its history—that of serving the girls of the depressed or backward classes. The majority in attendance now, especially in the boarding department, are from that class. In this we greatly rejoice.

Eleven different villages are represented. That means a connection with that many places. These girls go back and forth at vacation times, and they nearly always bring some one new with them. Few of the girls from these classes in the immediate community have enrolled. Great difficulty is found in keeping near-by parents away long enough to get the girls properly settled. Parents, too ignorant themselves to understand the welfare of the children, often take them out, because of the least complaint on the part of the child that she may be a bit homesick or dissatisfied.

Jivibai Makan, the first girl enrolled as a boarder when the school opened in 1919, is the efficient matron, who is a strong "right arm" to the missionary. She is a real big sister to every girl, and has won the affection and goodwill of all of them. What could we do without her? She is with them day and night and shows wonderful administrative ability in the management of them and the boarding department. What a blessing are these faithful, trustworthy Indian helpers! We praise God for such as she. That she has come through the school, showing herself such a fine example of womanhood, is a daily inspiration, helping in working with the ones following in her footsteps.

Chaganlal Virgingh and his wife, Miriam, have given another year of diligent and faithful service in the day school—he as head master and she as first assistant. Kashibai and Hirabai Mansingh (sisters) were second and third assistants with them. They also rendered very acceptable service. We had to give them up at the end of the year when they gave their services to government.

The boarding department had an average of fifty-five for the year and the number in the day school was seventy-four. The children from the outside who attend the day school come from both Christian and non-Christian homes. Boys are admitted as far as the third grade. Three Mohammedan children from a near-by wealthy home attend regularly. A little Parsi boy, frail and weak and too timid to attend a boys' school, also comes and sits with the girls. Hindu children from various castes are represented and make no objection to the association with the other classes. It is a great mixture of religions and classes; but all work together peaceably. In the annual examination, both in the day school and the Sunday-school, results showed faithful teaching.

Noteworthy is the admission of Christian boys into the Jalalpor Primary Government School, whence they had been debarred for a number of years. Their entrance made no disturbance, which again shows the growing favor of Christians in even caste-bound Jalalpor.

The outlook, not only across the landscape, is fine. New doors are opening on every side. Old prejudices are passing away. India's new day is a wonderful challenge to faith and courage and brings the confident assurance that the truth will prevail. We have received above all that we could ask or think, and we believe there are richer and greater blessings farther on. Wives and mothers for the future are one of the greatest needs of Hindustan. This is one of the places where they are manufactured. The finished product of this school is sent on to Anklesvar for the final touches. The school here takes the pupils through the fifth grade.

Bulsar Boys' Boarding-School

WORK in the Bulsar Boys' Boarding-School was carried on during 1926 in seven classes, ranging from primary to sixth standard. Seven trained teachers were employed under the general supervision of L. A. Blickenstaff. The total enrollment in the school was 144. Sixty-four of these were day pupils from the Bulsar Christian community and the remainder

were regular boarders in the Mission School Hostel. The hostel also provided a home for fifteen boys who attended government school in the bazaar. Out of 141 pupils who took final examinations, 125 received passing grades.

Bible instruction was especially emphasized this year, it being the ideal to have at least a half hour every day in every standard. While the Bulsar Bible School was in session students from that school were used to teach the Bible in the seven classes, and later a regular Bible teacher and his wife were employed on full time.

Bulsar Medical Report

THE past year offered many opportunities for service and was filled with many blessings. The personnel of the staff remained the same as in 1925, with the exception of Marthabai Mithalal being added to the nursing staff.

The evangelistic work continues to grow in interest. While patients wait for the doctors, Eld. G. K. Satvedi and his wife, Kankubai, tell the gospel story. Thus the patients come to know of the Divine Physician whose love and healing power is for them also. The story of our Lord brings help and comfort to those in need. A good tract or leaflet is of great value in spreading the Gospel. Many tracts and Gospels are sold and some given free.

There was no severe epidemic throughout the year. During the months following the rains there was less sickness than usual. Especially in this district was malarial fever less. Influenza was less than usual.

The monthly average of patients was about the same as in 1925; but the total number for the year was less as the hospital was closed during the hot season. The chronic cases include malaria, nephritis, blood disorders, heart diseases, leuitic infections, and an increasing number of tubercular patients. Acute cases include pneumonia, malaria, dysenteries, typhoid, influenza and tuberculosis. The surgical cases include tonsillectomies, operations on the generative and urinary systems, operations for hernia, amputations, and many minor operations. The obstetrical cases afford many opportunities for service.

During the year two missionary babies were welcomed in the hospital—Stanley Eugene Summer and Richard Wilbur Moomaw. For the most part the health of the mission family was good. Miss Woods was a patient in the hospital with some post-influenzal complications. Miss Kintner had a typhuslike type of fever. Mrs. Brooks was a patient in another hospital.

The year with its work is in the past. We do our best and leave the rest with God. Pray for the mission work in all its departments of service, that through its ministry many souls may be brought to him.

Dahanu Medical Work in 1926

Ida Metzger

THE year 1926 marks the opening of the new hospital and with it the fulfillment of the dream for the opening of larger doors of opportunity for service here. The pioneers of the Dahanu medical work, who labored for long years with inadequate equipment and who had to care for their patients in crude bamboo rooms with dirt floors, could most fully experience the joy of the opening of this hospital, but to all interested in the work it was a very happy day. The Indian people have verbally spoken their appreciation, and the sincerity of their words has been shown by the number of patients that have already come into the institution. Also appreciation of the work has been shown by the gifts, most of them from those who had been patients, but one or two were from folks who had not been patients, but had become interested through hearing of the work.

It is gratifying to see that the hospital is fulfilling the desire to be of service to all classes of people. The patients have been Parsees, Mohammedans, Christians, and various castes of Hindus, from the rich to the very poor; also Europeans. An American lady from one of our sister missions and an English lady, the wife of a man in government service, came here for confinement.

It is a happy surprise that a good number of obstetric cases are coming into the hospital. Recently a nurse from another mission was visiting the hospital and she asked, "How do you manage to get these cases to come to the hospital?" Perhaps the nice, light, airy rooms and clean methods, in contrast with the dark, stuffy, lying-in

room of the Indian home and the disease that follows the trail of the native midwife, have made an impression.

Another avenue of service is the training school for nurses. Because of the small size of the hospital we cannot give a fully recognized course, but we do plan to give a course that will impart a practical knowledge of the care of the sick, and will enable the girls to become valuable servants in the communities in which they live. Already a number of our own mission girls are looking forward toward taking the course, and three other missions have expressed their desire to send girls here for training as soon as there is an opening.

Little Daya not only furnishes another opportunity for service, but she renders service, for she is a bright ray of sunshine in the institution. Her smiles cheer everyone who goes near her. She is a little babe, both her parents are dead, and so she was brought to the hospital with the request that the mission care for her, since there was no one else to do so. Even though her skin is dark she is a charming child, and it is our hope that she will develop into as splendid a woman as the child she is now.

Industrial Work

IN the beginning of the year's work we made a complete revision of the course. The better parts of the old course in joinery used by Bro. Emmert, with the practical part of Bro. Ross' courses, were the groundwork. Then we received some valuable additions from Mr. Worthin of the Government Industrial School at Allahabad. In June the course was further strengthened by some work we saw at the industrial exhibit at Kodaikanal. The course consists of the proper use of a few tools and the making of such things as pencil boxes, coat hangers, paper racks, picture frames with appropriate joints, and running up into stools, chairs and tables. The object is to give the boys as much practical work as possible with a minimum of waste material.

The tailor shop has been managed on the same plan as last year, as also the garden.

Wankal Educational Work

IN the six standards, including the primary class, there were eighty-one pupils who sat for examinations, and of these seventy-eight passed. There were seven in the fifth standard, and these should have come on to Bulsar for the sixth, but owing to their fear of becoming defiled three of them said they would not go, and so went to their village homes. We made a class for the other four, but soon learned that this was not feasible, so they also returned to their homes.

There has been an exceptionally fine spirit in this work all the year. The house master has had charge of the Bible and religious instruction, and has done his work so well that on Jan. 23 we baptized thirty-three of them, which makes thirty-seven baptized from this school this year.

One master from here has been in the Bible School conducted by our Bro. Blough at Bulsar from June to November. He will return again next June. The result has been to make him an enthusiastic Christian, and we hope for great things from him in the future.

The Baby Home

Olive Widdowson

THE year is closing with twenty-three children and babies in the Home. Twenty-five is our limit, so far as funds are concerned. We have accommodation for thirty children. Have had twenty-five until two weeks ago, when one little girl went to Dahanu and one boy was sent to the Vyara Boarding. Thirteen children were taken in during the year. Of these thirteen one was a very badly diseased child. He was at the hospital at Bulsar for some time, but did not respond to treatment. He literally wasted away and at the end of six months died. He was quite a problem, as we do not have arrangements for effective segregation here.

During the rainy season we had quite a siege of sickness among our small babies. Two of them, that had been in the Home a little more than a year, died. There were three deaths in the Home during the year. The rains were very heavy, with very little sunshine. Sunshine is our great helper in combating disease and maintaining healthy

conditions. For instance, if the milk-woman does not have sunshine for purifying her vessels they get bad and she brings us bad milk.

It is rather remarkable that ten of the children taken in this year are of Christian parents. Six of the older children were sent away to boarding school.

We turned away more babies this year than any previous year. We tried to keep within the limit of our funds. Early one morning, from a near village, a woman brought a baby just a few hours old. Its mother had died. It was a healthy-looking baby, but we had all the small babies we could possibly take care of in the Home, with one in my room cared for by my helper and myself. We told the woman to get some one to nurse the baby for her. She said, "Miss Sahib, who would do that?" Many Indian mothers think if they would nurse a strange child their own would die. She said she would feed it goat's milk, but we heard the next week that it had died. That is the fate of most babies here that are left motherless.

The Indians are very slow in taking up the care of motherless babies. They say, "Oh, they will die anyway." It seems to me it will be some time before missions can turn over this line of work, however much they wish to do so.

May our Father help us to realize the value he sets on the lives of these little ones.

Umalla.

Widows' Home

IN March, Ruthbai, who had come from Vali in January, 1925, was married and now lives out near Vyara. After that the number in the Home (six women and four children) remained unchanged until the middle of December. At that time Dayabai, whose husband died in 1924, came to the Home. She had been living with her brother and family at Ahwa. She has now gone to help Miss Widdowson in the baby home at Umalla.

Christmas eve Karunabai and her two children came back to the Home. They had left us in July, 1925, to live again with the husband and father. He died Dec. 10, after an illness of but three days. His death left the family dependent.

The health of all was quite good throughout the year.

Besides those who lived in the Home here at Bulsar, three others at different stations were partly supported from the funds here.

Secretary-Treasurer's Office

THE office of the secretary-treasurer of the mission is located at Bulsar on account of the central situation. The desirability of centralized accounting with modern equipment and methods is evidenced by the fact that five other missions in India, after obtaining details of our centralized accounting system, either adopted similar methods or are preparing to do so. The ideal is that the central office shall receive and handle all accounts of the entire field, thus reducing the missionaries' work in bookkeeping to an absolute minimum.

An Indian assistant is employed in this work. Unfortunately for the work, the man who was serving so acceptably fell a victim to tuberculosis and died in November.

The Coöperative Bank, organized three years ago, now enjoys a membership totaling over eighty families. It continues to make satisfactory profits and renders an appreciated service to the Christian community.

Through the facilities of the office a tract of land owned by the mission has been subdivided and sold on easy terms, thus providing homes or land for about fifty worthy Christian families.

BOOK REVIEW

Of One Blood: A Short Study of the Race Problem, by Robert E. Speer. Missionary Education Movement. Price, 75c, cloth; 50c in paper.

This is a basic study of the world-wide problems of race and treatment of American race issues against the background of world movements. Few people know the races of the world as does Dr. Speer, who, although secretary of a foreign mission board, was selected to write this home mission book because it was felt that only a man with exceptional vision and world knowledge could properly prepare such a volume. He has produced a scholarly treatise, full of authoritative material and challenging in its point of view. A book for those who want the best.

India Mission Statistics, 1926

TABLE NO. I. FOREIGN STAFF

Date of First Work in Field	Totals	Ordained Men	Unordained Men	Wives	Unmarried Women	Short-term Workers	Residence Stations
1894	*60	16	3	19	21	0	9

* 12 of this number on furlough.

TABLE V. PHILANTHROPIC

Mission Stations	Widows' Ho.				Baby Ho.			
	Institutions	Total	Women	Children	Institutions	Total	Boys	Girls
Bulsar	1	13	9	4	...	...	...	...
Umalla-Vali	...	...	...	...	1	37	19	18
Totals	1	13	9	4	1	37	19	18

TABLE II. THE CHURCH IN THE FIELD

Mission Stations	Native Staff				The Church									
	Total	Ordained Men	Unordained Men	Women	Organized Churches	Other Places Having Regular Services	Baptized During the Year	Christian Community	Total Church Membership	Christians in Villages	Others Under Christian Instruction	Sunday Schools	S. S. Teachers and Pupils	Contributions for Church Work—Dollars
Ahwa	20	...	15	5	1	6	14	303	166	11	....	7	240	79
Anklesvar	39	1	23	15	1	17	65	1,150	925	561	125	17	541	.....
Bulsar	36	3	24	9	1	5	11	425	224	128	350	6	500	83
Dahanu	10	1	4	5	1	.....	9	121	67	16	140	4	110	26
Jalalpor	31	3	20	8	1	2	43	520	292	195	400	7	416	208
Palghar	6	1	5	...	1	.....	1	95	40	9	15	2	110	55
Umalla-Vali	20	...	20	...	2	.....	17	651	376	250	....	9	375	225
Vada	9	...	4	5	1	.....	...	73	44	6	....	1	40	65
Vyara	64	2	43	19	1	28	70	2,300	1,430	1,255	336	32	1,040	765
Totals	235	11	158	66	10	58	230	5,638	3,564	2,431	1,366	85	3,372	1,506

TABLE III. GENERAL EDUCATION

Mission Stations	Total Under Instruction—All Schools	Kind.		Elem. Sch'ls				H. & Mid.				Ind. Sch.				Tea. Tr.				Edu. Fees, All Schools
		Kindergartens	Pupils	Schools	Total Pupils	Boys	Girls	Schools	Total Pupils	Boys	Girls	Institutions	Total Students	Male	Female	Institutions	Total Students	Male	Female	
Ahwa	288	...	...	7	280	227	53	1	8	7	1	1	10*	10	...	...	...	...	...	...
Anklesvar	497	...	...	21	383	292	91	2	114	44	70	1	4*	4	...	1	21	21	...	...
Bulsar	678	...	...	21	645	597	48	2	33	33	...	1	39*	39	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dahanu	157	...	...	8	143	116	27	1	14	...	14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jalalpor	572	...	...	17	554	457	97	3	18	10	8	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Palghar	79	...	...	2	61	55	6	1	18	18	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Umalla-Vali	393	...	...	7	218	202	16	2	175	160	15	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	$ 9
Vada	90	...	...	6	90	75	14	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vyara	884	...	...	45	829	650	179	2	55	37	18	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Totals	3,638	...	...	134	3,203	2,671	531	14	435	309	126	3	53*	53	...	1	21	21	...	$ 9

* Excluded from totals to avoid duplication.

TABLE NO. IV. MEDICAL

Mission Stations	Foreign Staff			Native Staff				Hospitals and Dispensaries											
	Physicians, Men	Physicians, Women	Nurses	Physicians, Men	Physicians, Women	Trained Assistants, Men	Trained Assistants, Women	Hospitals	Beds in Foregoing	In-Patients	Dispensaries	Treatment in Dispensaries	Obstetrical Cases	Visits to Homes	Major Operations	Minor Operations	Total Individual Patients	Total Treatments	Medical Fees Rec'd, Dollars
Ahwa	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1,533	...	...	..	...	.....	.....	....
Bulsar	1	1	1	1	...	1	1	1	9	190	1	16,775	26	468	21	294	5,559	17,243	8,135
Dahanu	...	2	1	...	...	1	1	*1	19	133	1	9,807	26	158	...	215	3,218	9,807	1,664
Vada	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	...	...	...	...	....	.....	43
Totals	1	3	2	1	...	2	2	2	28	323	3	28,115	52	626	21	509	8,777	27,050	9,842

* Hospital opened August 1, 1926.

SUPPORTS OF MISSIONARIES

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congregation, one-third support of Anna Hutchison, China.

Huntingdon congregation and college, J. M. Blough, India.

Indian Creek congregation, Sara Shisler, Africa.

Lebanon Sunday-school, "Helping Hand" Class, Alberta C. Sollenberger (daughter of O. C. Sollenberger), China.

Maple Spring (Quemahoning congregation), Esther Beahm, Africa.

New Enterprise congregation, Sara G. Replogle, India.

Palmyra congregation, D. L. Forney, India.

Peach Blossom congregation, two-thirds support of Anna Hutchison, China.

Pittsburgh and Greensburg congregations, Leland S. Brubaker, China.

Richland congregation, B. Mary Royer, India.

Salunga Sunday-school (E. Petersburg congregation), Baxter M. Mow, India.

Scalp Level congregation, Dr. H. L. Burke (full support), Africa.

Seventh Circuit Sunday-schools, Marie W. Brubaker, China.

Shade Creek, Rummel, Scalp Level and Windber congregations, Anna Z. Blough, India.

Southern Pennsylvania Sunday-schools, Adam Ebey, India.

Spring Creek congregation, Eliza B. Miller, India.

Waynesboro congregation, Lizzie N. Flory, China.

Western Pennsylvania Sunday-schools, Ida Shumaker and Olive Widdowson, India; Grace Clapper, China, and William H. Beahm, Africa.

Mechanicsburg Sunday-school, "Willing Workers'" Class, Lois Mow (partial support) (daughter of B. M. Mow), India.

Western Pennsylvania Young People's Council, Marguerite S. Burke, Africa.

White Oak congregation, Ruth B. Mallott, Africa.

Tennessee—

Sunday-schools of Tennessee, Anna B. Seese, China.

Virginia—

Barren Ridge congregation, Nora Flory, China.

Bridgewater congregation, Ella Flohr, Africa.

Bridgewater Sunday-school, Norman A. Seese, China.

Cline, Willie B., of Lebanon congregation, Alfred E. Hollenberg (son of Fred M. Hollenberg), India.

First and Southern Virginia Sunday-schools, Rebecca C. Wampler, China.

Greenmount and Elk Run congregations, partial support Sara Z. Myers, China.

Lebanon congregation, Chalmer G. Shull, India.

Middle River, "Willing Workers'" Class, Verna Flory (daughter of B. M. Flory), India.

Middle River Aid Society, partial support

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The China Mission

Report for the Year 1926

DO YOU KNOW?

Emma Horning

IF you do not know you have a right to know. You have made it possible for the work in China. You have supported it with your money, men and prayers. Yes, do you know that a **new period** in our mission work is just opening in China? Do you know the situation, the difficulties, the problems and the future possibilities? Probably not, for we scarcely know ourselves. But we will state the situation as we see it.

First Period—Seed Sowing

We have been in China now eighteen years. Over sixty workers have been sent out. We have put our very life blood into the work. Some have not been able to endure the strain and have returned. Three lie on the hillside overlooking Ping Ting, awaiting the resurrection call.

What is the result? Near a thousand have been baptized and several churches have been organized. However, these are not strong, and workers from older missions are necessary to keep the work up. If we saw only these results we might have reason to be discouraged. But—take a deeper, broader look and what do we see? Eighteen years ago this was a closed field. Few had ever heard the name of Jesus. If they had it was through the horrors of the Boxer times. Now the doors are open wide till almost everybody has heard a little about Jesus and the work we have come to do. Yes, many, many know **about** Jesus and say **he is good.** Truly our work has not been in vain when it has made such an impression on a million people.

The close of this period has been marked by a few clouds looming up on the horizon.

Cloud No. 1

The anti-Christian movement has been criticising missions rather severely, and throwing a cold blanket on the enthusiasm of many. But gold does not fear the fire. It is only purified thereby. Even these students saw that **Christ is all right,** but mission work is not up to **his standard.** Alas, how true! We are painfully conscious of the fact. May their criticism only help us to pray more and work harder to raise the Christian standard year by year.

Cloud No. 2

We have been attempting to establish **self-government** in the church, but probably have pushed it too rapidly for so young a church and have run into difficulties. We find that very few are capable of taking such responsibility, lacking in the spirit of coöperation, self-sacrifice, and hard spiritual work for the spread of the kingdom. They also consider the home church a great corporation, ready to supply them money for unlimited years. Experience and spiritual power have not yet prepared them to stand alone.

These two clouds have discouraged many this year, who are wondering if all this sacrifice and hard work is worth while. Will a foreigner in a foreign land, speaking a foreign language, ever be able truly to represent our wonderful Christ? Will we, as representatives of material-loving America, ever be able to interpret a **Spiritual Christ?**

The blackest darkness comes before the dawn. We trust the deputation from home helped us pass the crisis and that the new period has opened.

Second Period—Cultivation

The far-flung seeds are sprouting and sending forth refreshing blades all over the field. Now is the time to **work with all our might** to keep the ground in good condition and the weeds from crowding out the tender blades.

Yes, many know **about Christ,** but how many even of the Christians **know him** in his beauty and power, or love him with a love that will send them out to give their lives for their fellow-men? These are the only kind of Christians that will make the work self-propagating and self-supporting.

We now have young Christians scattered throughout the length and breadth of our district, who are begging for this **cultivation.** The difficulty is how to reach them with so few efficient workers. To help solve this question we are planning to move out from the central stations to the smaller centers and villages where we will be closer to them.

Here we will live with them, pray with them, sympathize with them in their joys and their sorrows, **till Christ be formed in them.**

China is crying for the **real Christ,** the **living Christ,** the **ideal Christ,** not Christian civilization, with all its pomp and power, but the spiritual, purifying, saving Christ of the **inner life.** This is the only message that will **satisfy China,** the only message that will **save China.**

But who is able for it? We are only human like you are, and yet we have the responsibility of this great divine message on our shoulders. We can only work as the Spirit of this Christ works through us. We are only the radio through which the message passes. You from the **homeland must supply the power,** that the **message may be the living Christ.** May your thousands of prayers supply us daily with the spiritual message fresh from the heart of Jesus Christ.

The Evangelistic Department

W. Harlan Smith

THE program of evangelism in the China Mission, as divided among the three different methods of approach, viz., medical, educational, and evangelistic, has, as its field of work, nine counties in the heart of Shansi Province. This is about one-tenth of the area of the province, and perhaps has a population of between 1,500,000 and 2,000,000 people. There are four centers of work at present. They are P'ing Ting Hsien, Liao Chou, Shou Yang, and T'ai Yuan Fu. The last mentioned place is the capital of the province, while the other three places are county seats. The field is at this time by no means evangelized. Our, as yet, unwritten slogan is "The Word of God in the heart of every man, woman, and child in these nine counties." We hope that we may have as good success in carrying out this slogan in the next ten years, as the tobacco people have had in the past ten years in carrying out their slogan, "A cigarette in the mouth of every man, woman, and child in China."

In making this report for the year 1926 we cannot but, first of all, raise our hearts in thanks to our Heavenly Father for the peace and quiet which we have enjoyed throughout the length and breadth of our mission field here in the heart of Shansi Province. The missions of many other churches have not enjoyed such blessings. We were not molested by soldiers or bandits, although Liao Chou territory, according to the report of Bro. Oberholtzer, has not fully recovered from the nervousness and loss resulting from the war there late in 1925. This atmosphere makes the work of evangelism a little more difficult in that district. The anti-Christian and anti-foreign feeling throughout China has not affected our work in any noticeable way. The work in T'ai Yuan Fu, perhaps indirectly, felt the opposition manifest by these two movements more keenly than the work at other centers in our field. The anti-Christian movement did for a time show a very serious aspect in the Shou Yang territory. Its medium was the County Educational Association, with its teachers throughout the county. The movement for some reason or other soon lost most of its momentum, without having done any serious damage to the work of evangelism in that district. However, we have noticed that the Chinese, and especially our Christians, have been more frank in expressing their opinions of us and our methods of work, because of the wave of nationalism and spirit of self-determination which is spreading over China. But we are optimistic enough to think that this new attitude will be good for our work, even if it does entail a certain loss of prestige for us as foreigners. But all in all, there has been very little friction between Chinese and foreign workers. Thus we feel that the work of evangelism has in a general way been quite successful during this year.

Three gospel tents have been busy promoting the program of evangelism in our territory this year. Two of these tents were in the P'ing Ting territory and the other in the Liao Chou territory. Thirty-seven large villages, with populations ranging between 500 and 2,000, were visited by these tents. Perhaps between 50,000 and 75,000 people attended the meetings in these tents. Tent evangelism is coming to be recognized as the best method of itinerant evangelism for this generation. Our mission has been using this method a little over a year. We have not had the leaders to man these tents in the way that would be most efficient, and yet the results have been quite satisfactory. As these tents are really only

seed-sowing agencies, we can not give results in definite gains for the kingdom, but we are sure that the Word, as Seed, has not all fallen on barren ground. People are better acquainted with the work of the church than they would have been otherwise. The three men and two women evangelists in each tent are doing the best they can, but we are sure the work would be more efficient if we had a well-trained director for each tent. The tent work is now more or less supervised by the missionary evangelist in charge of the district where the tent is. The follow-up work after the tent leaves is also very important in getting results from tent evangelism. In the P'ing Ting territory this has not been as carefully looked after as in the Liao territory. This year there will be only one tent in the P'ing Ting territory, and the men who were in the other tent in 1926 will do follow-up in the districts where the tents were last year.

This brings us to another very important phase of our program of evangelism. This is the conservation of the gains already made for the kingdom. This means the shepherding of those who have already entered into the fellowship of the church. This phase of our work has been more or less neglected in the past, because the opportunities for preaching the Word were so many and urgent. Nevertheless, this is a very vital mistake which will react unfavorably to our program of evangelism, if not corrected soon. The year 1926, I believe, registers a very decided emphasis upon this phase of our evangelistic program, and I am confident that the wisdom of this new emphasis will be more and more recognized if the good beginning is continued. This work must be done by the evangelists until the churches are organized and strong enough to invite for themselves pastors. At Liao Chou Bro. Oberholtzer has assigned the membership of the whole Liao territory to four evangelistic areas. Each of these areas has four or five preaching points, which are visited by traveling evangelists once a month. At P'ing Ting, Bro. Yin was appointed to do pastoral work among the country churches of our district, throughout the year. Bro. Yin is especially fitted for this kind of work. He is at home with all classes of Christians. He reports that all the Christians were glad to see him wherever he went, and many times did not want him to leave, when it was necessary for him to move on to another place. About two-thirds of the P'ing Ting membership live in the country districts. Bro. Yin prepared some very simple model prayers, which he had printed as tracts. These were given to the members, who were asked to memorize them and use them every day, with the privilege of modifying them as they wished, as they became more efficient in their prayer life.

At Shou Yang the evangelists made two every-member canvasses of their territory, giving the Christians encouragement, which was much needed and gladly received, because of the anti-Christian movement which swept the county. Shou Yang also organized its workers for a program of winning the whole family to Christ. Christianity will never make much headway in China until whole families are won to Christ. In one district of the P'ing Ting territory there are some seventy Christians, and not one woman or girl among them. This is not a healthy condition, but is characteristic of our churches in China, where the women are so ignorant and superstitious and hardly ever get away from home. If a man accepts Christ himself, as a general rule he does not do very much to help the women members of his family to know him. In the work of shepherding during the year the young people and children have not been forgotten. Junior churches have been organized at P'ing Ting, Liao Chou, and Shou Yang. These, along with well-organized Sunday-schools and kindergarten schools at all of these stations, foretell a bright future for our church. Bro. Leland Brubaker has also started a very splendid work among the high-school boys. He has organized some evangelistic bands among them. He finds them vitally interested in the work of the church. At T'ai Yuan Fu the pastor has very interesting Bible classes after church services on Sunday. Each week Mrs. Ikenberry has a knitting club meeting for the women and girls of their church, at which meeting the Chinese woman evangelist directs the conversation along lines of "What it means to be a Christian." This new emphasis on shepherding in our program of evangelism will mean much for the future of our work.

From all the stations come words of ap-

preciation for the visit of Brethren Bonsack and Yoder. These two men, direct from the home church, along with their evangelistic messages, given with earnestness and conviction, have done much to put new life into our program of evangelism. Their love for and loyalty to our church and its doctrines, as well as their sympathetic attitude towards some of the problems which we run up against in trying to be loyal to the home church, in a country with such differing customs and unchristian background, have been an encouragement to both Chinese Christians and missionaries. The brethren heartily approved our policy of organizing churches where the number of Christians in a certain district made it advisable. They even urged that we begin to carry out this policy as soon as we could get organized for it. Therefore, the elders have met and put on foot a program for carrying out the above policy. They are having parts of the Pastors' Manual, applicable to the Chinese, translated into the Chinese language. We have a few places where churches ought to be organized immediately. Where churches are organized and local members set aside by the laying on of hands, to look after the welfare of the church of which they are officers, we cannot help but think that they will take on new life. It may be that they will soon be able to look after the program of evangelism in their territory and release the evangelists for work in more needy districts. In the P'ing Ting and Liao Chou territories we have already begun to have baptism and communion services out in the country districts, rather than have the people come to the central station for these services. The deputation attended one of these meetings, while they were visiting at Liao Chou, and were quite well pleased with what they saw and felt.

We are also very thankful for the general good health of all our evangelistic workers, both Chinese and foreign, throughout the year. There are between forty and fifty workers in this department. The majority of these are men. We have a few very splendid workers, both men and women, among our native evangelists. But we are sorry to say that the majority are not as well trained as they should be. They all do very well if closely supervised, but they have very little initiative or native ability. P'ing Ting evangelistic department has appointed a committee to devise ways and means for helping these men and women to be more efficient, while we are training others who will take up the work in the future. The pastor at T'ai Yuan Fu has daily Bible study classes for all their evangelistic workers. P'ing T'ing had a "retreat" for all of its evangelistic workers in August. A policy for training pastor-evangelists for our future work is in the process of formation, and we trust that our good friends in America will support this policy, for this need of trained leaders is one of the greatest of our program of evangelism.

Evangelistic work among the women must be pushed more in the years to come than it has been in the past. We cannot expect to have Christian homes unless the mothers and daughters are won for Christ. It is hard to get and keep trained workers for this part of our evangelistic program. Promising workers among the girl graduates of our schools are soon married and have families, which makes it impossible to give full time to the work. Very few girls of marriageable age in China do not get married. The best workers for this phase of our work are women who have raised their families, but our church is still quite young and does not have very many of this kind of women. It will help much, though, if we can prepare the wives of the men evangelists, so that they can give part time to helping their husbands build up Christian homes in the community in which they reside. As yet we do not have many of this kind of woman workers. The Shou Yang workers visited homes in about forty villages during the year. Their audiences ranged all the way from two or three women to whole courtyards full of them. One home they visited sent for the missionaries to come to their home again before leaving the village. There have been Bible schools for women at all of our stations except T'ai Yuan Fu, where Bible classes were held in the homes. The average enrollment in the P'ing Ting school was forty-five. Six of this number graduated in June. Two are helping in the evangelistic department this year. The students at the other stations were not so many as at P'ing Ting, where all the women working in the industrial department are supposed to attend the Bible School. Some women in the Bible School are given special training in kindergarten teaching as an aid

to them in training their children in the home. The Bible School for women is very difficult to keep going, because, as one missionary said, "Everything in this part of China seems to be more important than a woman's schooling, so that the least little affair in the home is just reason to call her away from her studies." Great numbers of women and girls have been helped in the villages visited by the tents. China of the future will no doubt be better because of this year's evangelistic effort among the women of our district.

In making this report we should not forget to mention the contacts made and the witnessing done by our daily associations with the people. After all, these opportunities and contacts are more valuable, perhaps, than all of our other activities. The reading and reception rooms also have filled a place in this program of evangelism. The itinerant evangelists also did a worthy work, we are sure, in the two or three hundred villages which they visited.

After reading this far you are all interested in just what gains have been made for the kingdom during the year. **There were 106 people baptized.** Twenty-one of these were women. **The membership of our China Church is over 1,000 now.** Between 50,000 and 100,000 people heard the Gospel message.

The Educational Report

B. M. Flory

GOD be praised for the progress in our schools during the last year! Many difficulties have been encountered. Sometimes members of our staff have been subject to a degree of pessimism, but in general a spirit of optimism and rejoicing has prevailed. In the face of some anti-Christian opposition our mission schools have developed favorably in many respects. Anti-Christian demonstrations in our locality were especially noticeable at Show Yang, where an organization was formed, posters put up in conspicuous places, and lectures given. But even at Show Yang the schools are growing in efficiency and interest. This criticism has increased the number of visitors at the schools. The department and the whole mission is thankful for this blessing of progress. We believe God is able to direct our work to his glory.

Kindergarten

Kindergarten classes were begun at Liao and Ping Ting several years ago. In December, 1926, a class was begun at Show Yang with twelve happy children in attendance. There are more than one hundred enrolled in the three stations. Pupils were graduated at Liao and Ping Ting in June. These children entered the regular first grade in the primary schools in September. The teacher at Ping Ting has had some special kindergarten training, but the other teachers have had no professional training. Therefore our work here may not compare favorably with kindergarten work at home, but the little children receive many benefits and blessings they could not receive if playing upon the streets. This phase of educational work is inexpensive and most promising. Religious and moral impressions made upon youth today will bear fruit for the church tomorrow.

Primary Schools

The purpose of an educational department in a mission program is to train honest, faithful, and competent Christian citizens for consecrated service in church, society, and government. To accomplish this aim requires religious instruction, both in curriculum and practice. All of the primary schools have regular Bible instruction. The aim is both to teach and to live the life of Jesus. The teaching of religion is one of the outstanding criticisms of mission schools. Our opposers aim to prohibit all religious meetings and propaganda and demand that the attendance at Bible classes be voluntary on the part of the pupil. We rejoice that we have been able to continue Bible instruction up to the present, and pray that there may be some satisfactory adjustment, that this instruction may be continued in the future.

Pleasing results of Bible study have been noticed at the Ping Ting girls' school. The Chinese generally are afraid of evil spirits. When the girls there were making a study of Paul at Ephesus it was revealed how fearful they were of evil spirits. But as a result of careful Bible instruction the girls now declare, "We are no longer afraid of evil spirits." This is true evidence of the power of the Spirit in the lives of young people.

The department is organized according to



Show Yang's First Kindergarten Class

taken at Christmas, about three weeks after the opening of the kindergarten. The teacher is Miss Kung, a graduate from our own girls' school here.



Quite a contrast to the Kindergarten Class, a group of kiddies who came in to see the "newcomers" when we were out in the Pei Ho district.

the 6-3-3 educational system. The first six years are divided into four years for lower primary and two years for higher primary. At Liao the first two, at Ping Ting the first three, and at Show Yang the first four grades are coeducational. The mission follows the government curriculum, using the standard textbooks, except that we add religious instruction.

The mission is also diverting from the regular primary system in adding some industrial work. Bro. Vaniman and Bro.

Seese have both taught carpentry in their schools in the past. Ping Ting has also had some weaving. In 1926 an industrial department was begun at Show Yang and has made great numbers of socks, woolen yarn, and ankle bands.

The schools are coming to be well staffed with competent Christian teachers. The present teachers are almost all men or women from our local communities, having passed through our own schools. Some also attended a neighboring Christian high school. With few exceptions, all the primary teachers have finished junior high school, a large number senior high school, and a few have the junior college. To be able to staff the schools with this efficient local talent is one of the greatest advancements made in recent years in the department, a blessing to the schools and the church.

The enrollment in the primary schools for the year was over 500. While the efficiency of the department has increased, the enrollment has decreased. This is caused by the general conditions in China. Anti-Christian and anti-foreign feeling has affected the enrollment very little. It is the general national situation that affects all schools. It is because of war everywhere and high taxes to pay for it. The governor has no time to enforce his compulsory school regulations. People are afraid to have their children away from home because of the behavior of the soldiers. They are also taxed beyond their ability to pay, and are unable to support their children in school. The war at Liao affected the enrollment there the first half year. Our present capacity in building and equipment will accommodate 1,000 pupils. Four years ago there were more than 700 enrolled. If conditions again become settled and normal we should soon fill these schools again.

Silent reading tests were give in all the schools last year. An arithmetic test was also given in the girls' school at Ping Ting. These tests helped us to evaluate the grade of work being done. Although the general average was below normal, the grades can be considered ordinary, and a few were above the average. It is hoped that the church may be blessed with future leaders from this group. Among the causes given for the low average, many of the teachers have decided that it is partly their own fault, and that they must raise their standards next year. This ambition and expression has received special emphasis at Liao girls' school.

High School

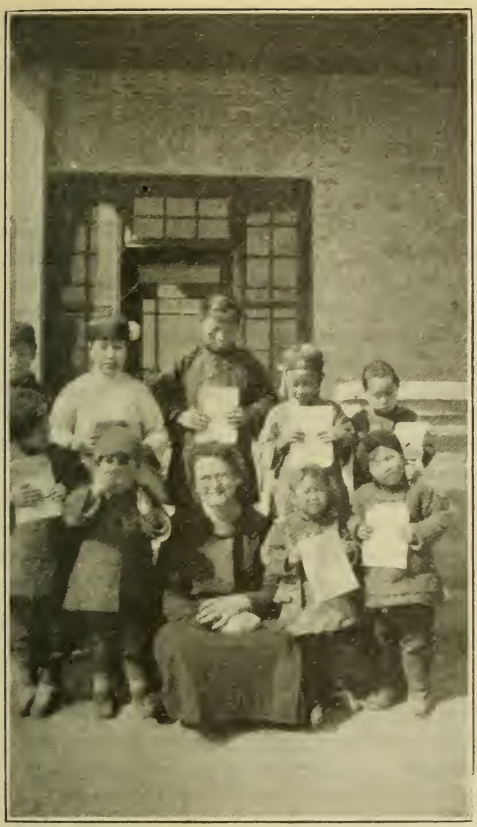
The middle school work of the Brethren Mission was reorganized during 1926. The mission united in one junior high school at Ping Ting Chow. It is coeducational and thus serves the girls as well as the boys.

Bro. Seese, the principal, has reported that seventy-seven students enrolled in the middle school during the fall term. The enrollment was thus limited, not because of lack of applications, but because of lack of buildings and equipment. Also a rather careful selection was made so as not to get in undesirable students. The student body has been a high credit to our educational efforts. No cases of discipline were serious enough to be brought before the faculty. In grading for conduct 95% was considered the upper limit. No student received less than 70%, and only a small percentage less than 95%. Student conduct also was positively good, as the average was well over the passing mark, and only a few failed in certain courses.

The religious activities of the students were satisfactory in some respects. As there was no suitable person to teach Bible, no courses were offered in this subject. The Y. M. C. A. was organized soon after the opening of school. The principal suggested that extension work for the evangelistic department be undertaken. Four teams were organized and led by Bro. Brubaker, who gave talks and distributed scripture cards in the surrounding districts on Saturday afternoons. Sunday-school, chapel, and church attendance was on the voluntary basis. Sunday-school and chapel attendance was small, but church attendance kept up well. All the regular members of the faculty are Christians. They took turns in leading chapel, and all the men preached at the church once and some oftener. It is a great service to the student body and to the Christian cause to have a teaching staff of unquestionable character.

Needs

More consecrated service on the part of many teachers is needed. Many Chinese layman are not unlike thousands of layman at home—they are inclined to leave the



Show Yang's First Beginners' Sunday School Class. Minneva Neher, Teacher.

preaching of the Word to the ministers. Pray for this group of teachers, that they may grow in both desire and ability to witness for Jesus.

The teachers all need professional training. An effort is being made to provide a measure of this training by conducting summer normal schools for teachers in service. The high-school teachers will likely need leave of absence for additional study.

If the Show Yang schools continue coeducational there will be need for dormitories for girls in the south compound near the large boys' school building. This will only require a few hundred dollars. The present prospect for coeducational schools is very good.

More industrial work should be introduced. China is densely populated. Many are too poor to pay for their children in school. Many would attend if it were possible for them to work and earn a part or all of the expenditure. Again, thousands have no hope of higher education. There is a general call for the teaching of a trade along with the knowledge of the fundamental processes. We must train the hand as well as the mind and heart. One great hope for Chinese society is in industrial training.

The high-school plant needs considerable attention. The plant and equipment are the least possible in order to carry on at all. The new rooms will be good when once finished. If communications open and materials come they should soon be completed. The school needs shades for lights, better heating, a good science laboratory, a good general library, and a general enlargement of the plant.

Women's Industrial Work, Ping Ting Hsien

Marie Brubaker

DURING the past year this department has given employment to about forty women. All of them have families that they support or help to support in this way. Those who are able to leave their homes attend the Bible School for half a day, and in this way we hope not only to help them physically but spiritually, for we believe that no one can come in daily contact with God's Word and not be benefited spiritually. A number of the women are widows with small children, whom they are hoping to educate in our mission schools. We are helping a number of the children, so that it is possible for them to go to school now, for the work has not been plentiful enough during the year to allow the women to make much more than enough to live.

Because of the unsettled conditions in China we have not always been able to get our materials from the coast, and this has hindered the work to some extent. When we were badly needing materials and could not get them, the women would earnestly pray that the roads might soon open, and how often in marvelous ways their prayers were answered! They consider the whole thing as a special blessing that God has given them. Their trust in him to care for them would be good for us to imitate more.

One of our women has been in the hospital

for almost three months. She has two running sores that heal so slowly, and her resistance is low. Her little girls have already been taken to the homes of their future husbands, but she still has a little boy that she dreads to think of leaving. Yet she says she knows that whatever is best will come, for she is in God's hand. She is a widow, and if she dies she will leave her little boy without any family at all to care for him. She is able to stay in the hospital only because of the help given her by this department.

This is only one instance of the help we try to give the women when they are sick or are in trouble of any kind. Besides the assistance to the women we have taken care of the budgets for the women's work for all of the stations.

This work is the one department in the mission that does not use funds from home, but rather contributes to the work on the field. However, our biggest trade comes from America, so really it is foreign money, after all. Then it is necessary for a foreigner to give time to the supervision of it here. We have an opening now to sell the work to a large store here in China, which we plan to do. It is not a truly indigenous work, but it is a start, and we hope the political disturbances will not become so troublesome as to force us to close down entirely.

I also feel to mention those of our people who are taking their time and energy to sell the work at home. If it were not for them we could not continue, as we depend on our sales in America to keep the work going. May God bless all for their noble efforts in behalf of some of China's most needy women and children.

Youth in Action in China

E. L. Ikenberry

THE year 1926 will go down in history as the beginning of China's second great revolution! (May it be more successful than the first.) Youth has again played an important part. Dr. Sun upset the Ch'ing dynasty in 1911, largely through the power of youth, but alas, he listened to the older, wiser (?) politicians and resigned the presidency to give way to Yuan Shih Kai (an old conservative official), who soon killed the spirit of the new republic by his reactionary methods. The result has been a curse to China—more than a decade of senseless civil wars.

The new generation, meanwhile, has seen the mistake and has voiced its protest in strikes, boycotts, great student demonstrations and days of special propaganda. When the Canton army launched its spectacular advance to the North it found its right-hand agency in youth. Thousands of students from the North and all over China hurried to join the army or the "propaganda squad" which goes ahead and is more powerful than the army, because it prepares the people so that they receive the southern victors with waving flags and gigantic demonstrations. Practically all of the youth of China have given their hearts to this second revolution, and they are determined that it shall not be abortive, as the first one proved to be, because the government fell into the hands of the militarist and the scheming politicians.

But youth is reckless and immature; hence, one sees all shades of belief, from a deep red to pale pink! Naturally, at a time of intense national feeling, there is much anti-foreign, anti-imperialistic, anti-missionary, anti-church and anti-Western domination feeling, but, thank God, there is very little anti-Jesus or his teachings! There is a small "no-God" group, and there is a strong materialistic slant in the thinking of some sections, but one must say that the youth of China is sincere and wants to see the country saved from foreign aggression and internal ruin. Dr. Sun, with his three aims of government (of the people, by the people, and for the people, like our own Lincoln), is the ideal of the hour, and he was a Christian. The "leaven of Jesus" is working silently, and much more than the youth of China are aware.

Taiyuan, with ten thousand students, is verily a city of youth. It is in such a setting that we work, trying to bring some young men to the feet of Jesus to learn of him, and through them to give the "good news" to China. Bible classes, discussion groups, and friendly intercourse are the methods used. And if one counts on numbers, the work is somewhat of a failure, for we are not popular these days. And there are reasons why. In discussing the subject, "What is the relation of Christian-

ity in China to the foreign powers?" a class of keen young men all said that they were sure that the general public in China thinks that the missionary has a secret relation to his home government. We are, and always have been, under suspicion! Just now the position we hold is doubly hard; we have a heritage from the past that is difficult to live down. Since the Opium War the decades have seen a piling up of distrust of the Westerner, and not without cause. Now the church of Christ must suffer for it! One student asked me, "Are not most presidents and prime ministers of Western powers Christians?" "Yes" (in name at least). "Then why have the Western powers been so unchristian in their dealings with China?" he asked. How could you answer that, dear reader, especially if you had been over here a few years and saw its full meaning! One often has to blush with shame! Let me ask you, **Is not a part of foreign missions that work done at home to make our own nation Christian in all its dealings with other nations?**

Statistics do not tell all the story in work among the youth. I have had two Bible classes, several discussion groups, two English classes, and sponsor to an English club. These gave a chance to meet more than fifty young men in friendly, natural intercourse.

Our Boys' Club at the church under Mr. Chang has had a very good year. More than thirty boys are "hanging around" much of the time, and that means a lot in China. They have classes in English, Bible, and hymn singing. An orchestra is to be started soon. They have a live Sunday-school as well.

Youth are in action in China—action that will be far-reaching and will help to determine the future direction of the Orient. Pray for them and for this vital work of the church in China.

Report of China Medical Work, 1926

D. L. Horning, M. D.

BY referring to the 1925 June Visitor, China Medical Report, you will find the following statement: "Hardly one in a hundred times do those attacking mission work mention the hospitals as agents of foreign imperialism." Since that time, however, things have changed in many instances, where the Nationalist party has come into power. Avowedly, its one aim is abolishment of all unequal treaties, with all institutions established under them; and since mission hospitals are foreign property, impossible demands are presented, seemingly to cause the foreigners to leave, so that their properties may be confiscated and completely controlled by this party. While it is the southerners at present who are actually doing these things, every loyal Chinese inwardly sympathizes, so that the future of our mission work, as far as properties are concerned, hangs in the balance. However, the southern leaders, many of them professedly Christian, say, they are not anti-Christian, and will welcome the foreign missionary, as long as "He loves Jesus more than his country."

With present conditions of unrest, fightings within and fightings without, our medical work this year has not grown materially, the minds of the people being too much absorbed in their fears and sorrows, to pay much attention to bodily ailments. This was especially noticeable at Liao Chow, for as soon as the wounded soldiers and civilians were discharged, the number coming for treatment diminished. No one loafed on the job, however, as the time was well used in completing and equipping the hospital building, so that for the future all atttention may be given to strictly medical work. The Show Yang hospital, thanks to the ceaseless energy of Dr. Hsing, and the liberal contributions of the local people, has been put into excellent shape, and now lacks nothing except a little more room for woman patients and additional equipment. At Ping Ting Chow a campaign for raising funds for building a new ward for men is in progress, while at Liao Chow some of the funds promised for the X-Ray are still being collected. The X-Ray as yet has not been installed.

During the year there have been many changes in the staff. December, 1925, Dr. T. H. Wang of Liao Chow went to Peking Union Medical College for a six months' course in medicine and surgery. The middle of April Dr. Wampler left for home on furlough, and Dr. T. H. Wang was recalled from Peking to assist Dr. Ch'ang with the Ping Ting medical work. Early in May Dr.

Coffman also returned on furlough. July 1 Dr. C. C. Wang, just out of internship at Peking Union Medical College and Hospital, came to us, helping out wherever needed most, first at Liao, then at Ping Ting, then at Show Yang, to relieve Dr. Hsing for a course at Peking Union Medical College, and finally back to Ping Ting, where we trust he is permanantly located. On Dr. T. H. Wang's return from a July vacation, he went back to Liao Chow, where he and Mrs. Pollock, R. N. took over the medical work, relieving Dr. Horning for supervision of the Ping Ting medical work until his furlough in the spring.

There has been considerable illness among the staff during the year. Mrs. Jung, a graduate nurse at Liao, nearly died with a severe attack of angina pectoris, brought on from volunteer work in helping to care for the war patients. Of Show Yang, Mr. Hsing Lan Chih contracted typhoid fever and for a time his life was despaired of, but through special prayer and careful treatment he gradually recovered. At Ping Ting Miss Baker contracted diphtheria, but, aside from a severe serum rash, made a rapid recovery. Although not on the hospital staff, three others of our number were on the diphtheria list—Bro. Heisey, Miss Dunning, and Mrs. Brubaker. Diphtheria and scarlet fever are ever present among the people at Shansi, and our workers as well as others can hardly hope to escape.

The evangelistic side of our medical work is, as one of our hospital evangelists puts it, only a time for sowing, as few patients remain long enough to learn more than that there is one true God, and that he sent his Son Jesus into the world to declare himself unto men. They must be continuously taught that Jesus is not a Holy Man belonging to the Westerners. They appreciate the fact that he is of the Eastern Continent, and that we missionaries and others have learned to know him, in like manner as we are trying to present him to them.

On account of disturbed political conditions, building and changes in staff, itinerating has not been pushed, though at all our stations a little has been done and plans are being laid for a rather intensive extension work, mainly along lines of prevention rather than cure, as preventable diseases and neglected motherhood take yearly a terrible toll of lives.

At present our hospital at Ping Ting has our only training school for nurses. During the year five boys and two girls were accepted into the school. A total of four left for various reasons. At present the total enrollment is nineteen, thirteen being boys and six girls. The latter part of the year the class periods were spent mainly in reviewing for China Nurses' Association Examinations, ten out of eleven taking them passing creditably, and that one failing in one minor subject only. One of the boys said he had prayed daily for a peaceful attitude of mind and heart, and promised God he would give the Lord's work $2 if he passed. His prayer was heard and he is keeping his pledge. All the nurses save one are Christians.

SUPPORTS OF MISSIONARIES

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of Wendall Flory (son of B. M. Flory), China.

Moomaw, Leland C., and Sunday-schools of First and Southern Virginia, Elsie N. Shickel, India.

Northern Virginia congregations, I. S. and Effie V. Long, India.

Northern Virginia Sunday-schools, Dr. Fred J. Wampler, China.

Pleasant Valley congregation, Edna R. Flory, China.

Washington—

Wenatchee Valley Missionary Society, Ada D. Hollenberg, China.

West Virginia—

Eglon congregation, Anna B. Mow, India.

Sandy Creek congregation, Mary E. Cline, China.

CHINA MISSION STATISTICS, 1926

TABLE NO. I. FOREIGN STAFF

Date of First Work in Field	Totals	Ordained Men	Unordained Men	Wives	Unmarried Women	Short-Term Workers	Residence Stations
1908	50	15	3	18	14	1	4

TABLE II. THE CHURCH IN THE FIELD

Mission Stations	Native Staff				The Church									
	Total	Ordained Men	Unordained Men	Women	Organized Churches	Other Places Having Regular Services	Baptized During the Year	Christian Community	Total Church Membership	Christians in Villages	Others Under Christian Instruction	Sunday-schools	S. S. Teachers and Pupils	Contributions for Church Work—Dollars
Ping Ting	18	1	9	8	1	3	46	....	604	420	.....	1	200	$ 87.67
Liao Chow	...	...	...	..	...	.....	...	....	*185	....	.....	....	....	.....
Show Yang	9	...	6	3	1	5	23	....	148	120	90	1	....	78.00
Taiyuanfu	4	...	3	1	1	1	....	....	44	....	54	1	44	38.00
	31	1	18	12	3	9	69	....	981	540	144	3	244	$203.67

* No report. Previous year's statistics substituted.

TABLE III. GENERAL EDUCATION

Mission Stations	Total Under Instruction —All Schools	Kind		Elem. Sch'l				H. & Mid.				Ind. Sch.			Tea. Tr.			Educat'nal Fee All Schools—Dollars
		Kindergartens	Pupils	Schools	Total Pupils	Boys	Girls	Schools	Total Pupils	Boys	Girls	Institutions	Total Students	Male	Institutions	Total Students	Male	
Ping Ting	294	1	20	6	216	146	70	1	78	70	8	...	...	...	....	....	....	.....
Liao Chow	252	1	52	2	200	132	68	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	....	....	....	.....
Show Yang	135	1	10	3	125	104	21	...	...	...	...	1	17	17	....	....	....	135.49
Taiyuanfu	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	....	....	....	.....
Totals	681	3	82	11	541	382	159	1	78	70	8	1	17	17	....	....	....	.....

TABLE IV. MEDICAL

Mission Stations	Foreign Staff			Native Staff				Hospitals and Dispensaries								
	Physicians, Men	Physicians, Women	Nurses	Physicians, Men	Trained Assistants, Men	Trained Assistants, Women	Nurses in Training, Men	Nurses in Training, Women	Beds in Hospital	In-Patients	Obstetric Cases	Major Operations	Minor Operations	Dispensary Calls	Total Individual Patients	Visits to homes	Local Receipts (Mexican) ‡
Ping Ting	2	...	2	2	1	...	13	6	80	617	40	172	200	6,620	2,000	?	$ 7,347.45
*Liao Chou	1	...	1	1	1	1	...	...	60	286	3	64	6	2,708	1,347	20	4,942.00
Shou Yang	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	30	132	10	20	94	2,558	860	30	1,372.89
Tai Yuan	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	....	...	...	...	.....	....	...	.....
Total	3	0	3	4	3	1	13	6	170	1,035	53	256	300	11,886	4,207	50	$13,659.64

* Local receipts include $2,200 (Mex.) as gift from army for soldiers' work.

‡ The Mexican dollar is worth approximately 50 cents.

D. L. Horning.

The Africa Mission

Report for 1926

Foreword

W. M. Beahm

IN summing up this year we are made to rejoice that out of a year of so little promise so much has come. The home-going of the Helsers and Bro. Kulp ushered in the year with a reduced staff and a minimum of experience. Our touring privileges in Bornu were withdrawn. Our application for a site in Bornu was definitely refused. Our right of occupancy for the site at Garkidda was promised us, but was delayed well through the year. And three of our staff of eight left before the year was three-fourths gone.

But the end of the year found us with a very promising school of regular attendants. Much work in medicine was done. Very obvious progress was made in making our wild bush compound look like the habitation of man. Building work is going on apace with the hope of two new stations to be opened in the immediate future. There is a staff of fifteen on the field, and over thirty boys coming out of darkness into the light.

So we are hopeful for constant and substantial progress as the home church continues to support us so generously in intelligent interest, effective intercession, and open-handed gifts.

The Medical Work

W. M. Beahm

OUR medical work continued to grow during the year. It has grown not only in the number of operations performed and treatments given, but also in those more invisible and valuable elements of public confidence and willingness to pay for service.

It will be a long time, however, before they will call for our medical services in enough time to be of most help. It usually happens that they arrive at their wits' end and then ask us to come and not only do a good piece of medical work, but counteract the mistakes of their ignorance. But as the acquaintance with the people widens, and we are in more constant touch with them, there is more and more willingness not only to bring folks in in time to be healed, but also to leave them with us long enough to finish things.

There has been a start made in giving medicine in some more distant villages, and where possible medical-evangelistic tours have been begun. We have no greater hope of winning a welcome among prejudiced and opposing people than by this obvious ministry of healing.

During the year much progress has been made in the training of a hospital assistant. Risku becomes more valuable every day, and has won great confidence among the native folk. He is valuable, not as a hospital assistant alone, but as a growing Christian and a gentleman. Will you continue to pray for him?

There has been some dysentery and fever among our American workers, but none of abiding ill effects. We have been very sad over the illness of Junior Mallott and the necessity of his going to America. This has also taken from us the services of Mrs. Mallott, who accompanied him to the homeland. And the valuable daily witness of a Christian home is thus lost. It is our hope and prayer that he will recover thoroughly, and that it will be possible for the other children who have come to us to thrive in this climate.

There was an interim of three and one-half months between the leaving of Dr. and Mrs. Burke and the coming of Dr. Gibbel, so the medical work of this year has been crowded into the remaining part of a year.

We sincerely trust the home church will continue its generous and essential support of the medical work, for we continue to face—

1. The need of good care of our American staff among a primitive folk and in a rigorous climate.

2. The need of healing the sick and bettering the health of the thousands of folk among whom we work.

3. The urgent necessity of winning our privilege of bringing the sacred and imperishable tidings to many who would be otherwise barred from its life.

The Evangelistic Department

F. E. Mallott

THE evangelistic work includes all the work of the mission, in the sense that all is evangelistic in motive. The purpose of a Christian mission is to proclaim the evangel or good news and demonstrate what that good news does in the conduct and relationships of men.

For convenience, however, we speak of evangelistic work as the direct teaching of the Scriptures and the preaching of the Word. This work during the past year has been carried on in evangelistic tours, in village preaching, and in station classes and meetings.

In January and February an extended tour was made around Bulungwi, an important center of West Bura. In a cluster of villages with a population of several thousand many heard the Gospel and heard of the mission. Because of a stricter enforcement of the government's Moslem policy we were deprived of touring privileges in West Bura by the complete closing of Bornu Province to mission work. That limited the territory of our work to the relatively small portion of the Bura tribe in Yola (now called Adamawa) Province.

Garkidda is in the northern part of our permitted territory. In March a tour was made to visit the villages of the southern part of our territory. From March 13 to 18 eleven villages and hamlets were visited and meetings held.

The villages in the northern end of our territory, about eight (some villages are scattered and so may count as more than one), had services throughout the year. In some meetings were held frequently. Sickness and the reduction of the number of the staff did not permit regular services to be maintained in all the villages.

Activities centering in Garkidda station were such as demanded a great portion of the year's time and energy and have caused much thought and prayer. For the past year may truly be said to have been epochal in the history of the mission. In 1926 profession of faith in Christ was made by some of our schoolboys and young men associated with the mission.

This event came in such a manner that we felt it was the Holy Spirit's work and the beginning of the harvest of souls. The first manifestation was in February when, in answer to an invitation, twelve came forward asking to "enter the kingdom of God." At the close of the year we find that there have been confessions in each quarter of the year. A total of thirty-one have made public profession and received the name Christian.

Be it noted, however, that this has admitted no one to church membership, and none of the thirty-one have yet been baptized. Our mission has adopted a plan which provides for a public declaration of faith and renunciation of sin by each one. The confessant is told that he is now entitled to call himself a Christian. This is advisable in a land where Moslem teachers are at work and Mohammedanism is in danger of spreading.

But the Christian is in fact an applicant for baptism and admission to the church, although already pledged to a clean life. He is immediately enrolled in a class for teaching preparatory for baptism. The mission sets no time limit to the instruction to be given. The candidate must stay in the instruction class until sufficiently matured in character and biblical knowledge to warrant his baptism. Of the thirty-one who have made a profession as Christians, almost all show a commendable growth in character and knowledge.

It is a tremendous task to raise up a church in an entirely heathen environment among a primitive people. The whole idea of the church has to be imparted, and even the simplest facts of biblical teaching must be iterated and reiterated. The missionary is reminded of an old missionary's words, "My little children, of whom I am again in travail until Christ be formed in you" (Gal. 4: 19).

On Sunday evenings our Christian boys and those who wish to join them have their own meeting, to which no missionary goes. We believe that Christ is being formed in their hearts, and that the future Bura church is now present with us in an unformed but living state.

We were encouraged when, before Christmas, our mud hall, which serves as both school and churchhouse, was remodeled. The occasion was used to teach the boys concerning the house of God and to encourage them to love it. The boys re-

sponded with enthusiasm. Labor was donated and our boys voted to empty the Sunday offering box, and thus gave four pounds six shillings and three pence (£4 6s. 3d.), or about half the expense of remodeling.

On Christmas day a program, rendered almost entirely by the Christians, was given to a large audience and our hall was rededicated especially to its use as a churchhouse. It was the most impressive and intelligible Christmas yet held in Garkidda. The birth of Christ and its significance were presented and the native Christians of Garkidda experienced a glow of pride and joy in his service.

The greater part of the year the following Bible classes and meetings were held weekly. These services were held or classes taught by the whites:

Church service and S. S. on Sunday morning.

Day school Bible classes (from two to four classes daily).

Pre-baptismal classes (four evenings per week).

Laborers' meeting (each noon when labor was employed anywhere on mission land).

The harvest has begun, but there is urgent call for prayer to the Lord of the harvest, for much yet remains to be done.

Places having regular services	4
Under Christian instructions	31
Sunday-schools	1
Teachers	2
Pupils	50
Contributions for church work	$20.95

Language Department

F. E. Mallott

THERE are two phases of the language work of an Africa mission. One is the acquisition of the native language by the missionaries, and the second is the preparation and printing of a literature in that language.

The year 1926 was one of steady progress in learning. The beginning of the year found eight missionaries on the field, six of whom were but one year old in the language. As the workers carried on school, services, and other work of the mission the language handicap grew gradually less. During the year two books, the result of former years' work, were issued from the press. These additions to our literature were the Bura Second Reader and a Life of Christ. Both books were printed in editions of 500 copies. The arrival of these books was hailed with joy by our group of schoolboys who can read, and whose big need now is for something to read.

During the year the government issued its second book in its series of readers. The government books differ from the mission books in not being of a religious type, but they are most useful as supplementary reading.

During the year a number of new songs were written and a small hymn book was planned.

The arrival of the new recruits for 1927, toward the close of the year, found a renewal of the first phase of our language work—the study of the Bura tongue by the missionaries.

Educational Work

Lucile Heckman

EACH man and woman who goes to the mission field is dedicated to the cause of leading men and women to Christ. Not all can fulfill this mission in the same way; neither can all peoples be led to him in the same way. And so it is for each of us to take the talents God has given us and use them for him. No doubt some good Christians in the homeland think that mission work consists of preaching alone, but it is not true. Christ was Teacher as well as Preacher.

In our school, as in no other phase of mission work, we have placed in our hands, for a length of time, the most plastic material in the world—the lives of children. Teaching the three R's is a minor part of our program. There is immeasurable joy in watching the development of the boys as we try to give them what approaches to Christian "home" influence.

For the first quarter of the year our enrollment was 22, with an average attendance of 15; the second quarter an enrollment of 23 and an average of 16. The low averages were due to the fact that we had no means of requiring regular attendance on the part of the village boys. During the third quarter we had two months' vacation during

the farming season. School opened Aug. 30, and the close of the quarter found us with an enrollment of 50 and an average of 48. All of our mission work in Africa is yet in the experimental stage, and this marked improvement in attendance is the result of an experiment. It would be comparatively easy to keep children in school if their parents coöperated rather than hindered. In order to secure the consent of the parents to allow their boys to stay away from home duties more than a few days at a time we provided employment for them in the morning hours. Further to insure a fairly long school year for them we withheld one third of their small pittance each week. This they will receive at the end of the term—the beginning of next farming season. Any boy who leaves school before that time loses this money. Fortunately we started school early, so that they had a considerable number of pennies to reckon with by corn-cutting time. During the fourth quarter a number of boys from West Bura came for school. We had not expected to start a new class at that time, but because these boys had come to us from territory we were not allowed to enter, we were glad to adapt our schedule to a new group of primaries. They are an especially promising group. At the close of the fourth quarter and of the year our enrollment is 60, with an average of 53.

Our curriculum, too, has been growing. We are now teaching, besides the three R's, Bible, history, geography, English and composition, hygiene, sewing and other native industries.

Perhaps our greatest regret is that we have not been able to teach girls as well as boys. But that problem brings us to our plans for 1927.

Elementary schools	1
Total under instruction	66
Total pupils	66
Boys	66
Educational fees	$21.33

Industrial and Building Work at Garkidda

Clarence C. Heckman

ON Aug. 30, 1926, the first real industrial work was started at Garkidda in connection with the school work. An hour was given each day to teaching the varying number of Bura boys and young men some things that all of them knew something about, but at which no one of them was adept. The work began with rope making. Since all the houses for missionaries, as well as the native houses, are tied together with rope, it is a fundamental task to make rope, and make it well.

There are six or eight kinds of materials commonly used by the Bura people, including about three kinds of grass and four or five kinds of bark. The grass most commonly used is called "hiru," and is a strong, narrow-bladed grass, which, when braided, makes a strong rope. It grows in patches and is easily obtained. The best bark is obtained from the "kwogu" tree, or monkey-bread tree, or in still other terms, the baobab tree. It was the bark of this tree that we first tried.

As the bark comes from the tree it is quite wet and slippery and can't be used to best advantage until dried in the sun. After a thorough drying a portion was given to each boy to prepare for the rope making. Each took his piece and whipped it around a post, or beat it with a stick, or treated it in any fashion to tear the fibers apart. When this was done to his satisfaction, and there were many different degrees of satisfaction, the actual rope making started. A number of fibers were taken together in two different strands and rolled between the hand and leg in one direction, and with a sudden reversal of direction the strands were twisted together. With care and attention a boy could easily make fifteen feet of one-fourth inch rope in an hour's time; fifteen feet of rope, that would be strong enough to tie goats or doubled to tie a horse, but which was actually used in tying together the timbers of our new buildings and tying on the grass thatch.

It is not our immediate ambition to teach these boys a host of new things, but to teach them how to do well the numerous things of which they already know the fundamentals. Many Bura parents say that when their boys come to work for the white man, or come to his school, they forget all things "Bura-Bura" and want to learn white man's ways. That is not what we want to teach them. We want them to know better methods of doing things "Bura-

Bura." After several weeks of rope making, a contest was inaugurated to determine how far the boys had advanced. The group was divided into two sections, according to specimens of rope made on the day of division. The contest lasted one week. The judges consisted of seven boys, who are in a sewing class and who knew nothing of the contest before the day appointed for the selection. These boys chose what they considered to be the best piece of rope in each group. Each one selected was very nearly a perfect production. It was difficult to tell it from some of the rope made by machinery in the States. Each winner was given a small gift of a leather money bag.

After the period of rope making came seasons of basket and mat making from the leaves of the palm trees, which are abundant in this section. The baskets are used for carrying farm products and the mats for sleeping. Then we had another period for rope making, using three and four strands and making of knots and loops, so that the rope might be used for tying horses.

A number of the boys chosen from the mat-making group were given the task of making a native bed. These are commonly formed from cornstalks, or heavy grass, or a kind of woody reed. They are built up in the manner of an old-fashioned corn crib built from rails. They are quite a serviceable cot, and even the whites find them useful for taking a nap in a shady corner of the veranda.

Shortly after school started the seven older boys of the mission who have been in school longest, or who showed unusual ability, were formed into a class for sewing, with Mrs. Beahm as instructor. Simple articles of clothing, as shirts and trousers, were made. This is a decided step towards helping these people, for in a Bura household it is only the older men who do the sewing for the family. These boys did remarkable work after a few weeks' training.

The industrial phase of missionary work has a big field. There are so many ways in which these simple people can be helped and are willing to accept help if it is offered. We long for the time when we will have workers who can spend full time along industrial lines. At present the building program is so heavy that only a small amount of time can be taken for this work. In fact, after the building program started at the beginning of the dry season, the hour for industrial work in the school was turned over to Mr. Beahm, as the building work took all the time of the builder.

On Oct. 4 the first mud was made and laid for a group of industrial buildings. The group consists of three buildings, each fifteen by fifty feet. They stand in the shape of a U, with the open side to the front. The building at the back comprises a shop where practically all the missionary's furniture originates. The building on the right, as you face the group, is intended for weaving and sewing classes, with a small store in the rear. The building to the left is for mat and rope making and similar purposes, with half fitted up as a boys' shop, where simple carpentering will be taught. At the rear of the main shop a shed is connected to the roof, to be used as a storeroom for lumber.

At the time of writing, the building season is about finished and some other work can be started in connection with the industrial work. The two English looms have arrived, but nothing has been done more than to unpack them. Soon we will have the tools for the boys' shop. At the beginning of the rains farming will start among the boys.

The other buildings that have been carried forward this season are two dwellings for missionaries, with the necessary attendant smaller buildings, consisting of a kitchen, a boys' house, a store, and a toilet. With the coming of two other stations into our mission program, other dwellings will be provided, either by constructing them this season or by putting up a temporary house for the coming wet season, and building permanently the next dry season.

Some of the new folks who came at the beginning of 1927 have a little knowledge of industrial work. We especially welcome them, as we do also welcome those who have interests in other channels of the work. But we need more folks who can and will spend full time in the industrial work, who have had specific training in this line, and who are willing to make any necessary sacrifice to help these simple people to learn more of Christ through the medium of better homes, better clothing, and higher ideals.

The Scandinavia Mission

Report for Year 1926

SWEDEN

J. F. Graybill

IN the Malmö church the Sunday-school work has been encouraging in attendance and interest. The Juniors meet once a week for industrial work, and on Sunday afternoon in a religious service, in which the children take an active part on the program.

The Young People's Society meets every Sunday evening in public worship, at which time the pastor, or some one assigned, gives the principal address and the young people fill in on the program. Occasional programs of a missionary, literary, or musical nature are rendered. They meet every other week for Aid Society work. This organization does considerable charity work among the poor of the city at Christmas, by clothing children and serving a dinner to some seventy aged poor.

We continue with our midweek testimonial meetings, which at times are quite spirited and edifying. Of course the spirit does not always move the same. We have occasional cottage prayer meetings and the public worship on Sunday morning. The attendance is not always what we desire. The pastor's time is too much divided with field work and the effort in Denmark. This does not work for the best. A new feature of our activities was a family gathering in November, which proved to be an entire success. Death made no claims in our ranks during 1926. Two were baptized and one restored to fellowship.

Brother and Sister D. O. Cottrell's visit in October was an inspiration to us and the work. Their time was all too short. We should have had them with us longer. We were glad for the sermon Bro. Cottrell gave us.

In the Kjävlinge mission there are Sunday-school and preaching every Sunday, a midweek meeting and two outposts for preaching every other Sunday. Here two members have entered the fold during the past year. Some charity work has been done among the poor fishermen's children. Otherwise the work is not encouraging at this place.

In the Vannaberga church there is Sunday-school and Young People's work in addition to the regular preaching on Sunday, a midweek service and a few outpost places for preaching in the Tingsryd section. At the home base they have preaching once a week and an active Aid Society. The membership is much scattered. They do some charity work among the poor of the community. They had no accessions during the past year.

The members of the Simrishamn church coöperate with the Baptist church, in whose hall we have our services once a month, in Sunday-school and church work. Here we have some splendid members, but the future for our church at this place is not promising.

The Olseröd church had a revival during 1926. A little over a year ago a young people's organization was effected at an outpost of this church. This resulted in ten of the number uniting with the church the middle of the year. There were fourteen baptized. Two were baptized lately and several are awaiting the rite. We have lately received reports of conversions. A new and promising outpost has been opened since the first of this year. The work demands larger quarters and a new mission house, more centrally located, is in erection. Of the work here it can be said, "They have a mind to work." They have a little Sunday-school, a live-wire Young People's Society and an Aid Society. The future looks bright and encouraging at this place.

Our District Meeting, held in Malmö March 25-27, was one of the best and most interesting we have witnessed in Sweden. The representation was good and a splendid spirit pervaded the meetings. Only questions of vital interest were raised. A better and more aggressive Church of the Brethren in Sweden seems to be the desire of all. May this also be the result. The young evangelist in preparation has been assisting in the work at Olseröd, and has been invited to return. The evangelistic fund is growing slowly. Mission offerings have decreased, owing to much unemployment. The Young People's District Organization is starting nicely and is encouraging. Steps have been taken to make our monthly,

Evangelii Budbärare (Gospel Messenger), better by associated help. We must seek to plan for the best and then best work the plan. We need wisdom, guidance and strength. To this end we solicit your prayers.

Malmö, Sweden, April 6, 1927.

DENMARK

J. F. Graybill

WE have given as much time as our work in Sweden allowed to the work in Denmark during 1926. We made two trips, one in May, accompanied by Sister Graybill, during which time we visited in all the members' homes with a few exceptions, and one in the last of October and first of November, during which time we held a series of meetings at the Thy church. Six weeks were given to the work on the field. We have edited a little monthly for the Danish church, which is greatly appreciated. The request is to have it larger. This works good as a unifying medium.

On our first trip, in May, we had the joy of receiving three into church fellowship by baptism, and in connection with the District Meeting celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of the church in Denmark. This was a glorious occasion. We were sorry that none of the aged veterans of the church could be present on account of bodily weakness.

Eld. C. Hansen of the Wendsyssel church is growing quite feeble, and is not able to do any active work in the church. The members, who can, assemble once a month in his home and they have a service together. A minister of the Thy church has assisted them in several series of meetings. This was greatly appreciated. Here there are six or seven young members. The others are all aged. They have asked for more help, and they need it, but how to supply the need under the present circumstances is not so easily solved.

In the Thy church there is material in the rough, but no one to lead them or develop the material. They have a live-wire Sunday-school and Junior Society. The young people's work has been lagging. But they are making efforts to revive the same. Eld. M. Johansen gives as much of his time to the church as his secular work allows and affords, but he lives isolated from the work and can not associate with the members as is required. His age also is against him. Methods of work have changed so that it is hard for him to follow the change.

In the Thy church there was one death, a brother 86 years of age. He was one of the first members of this church and a deacon for many years. He was a good pillar in the church. The past three years he had suffered from paralysis.

This church is quite a problem as the matter now stands. That it needs some help is quite evident, but how to supply this need is the present problem. Will you pray for this church, that the Lord may in some way supply the need and provide the vessel required to foster and build up the work in this part of the Lord's vineyard?

Since the beginning of this year death has claimed our aged Bro. Eskildsen of the Wendsyssel church. He was a very faithful brother and minister in the church. His heart was in the work and he spared not himself in doing his best, as long as he had strength, for his Master and the faith that was dear to him. He was 86 years old, and to the last he was interested in the future of our work in Denmark. When we visited him in November he asked a number of times if there could not be something done for the building up of the work. It was no easy matter to see a once flourishing work abandoned. His prayers were for the building up of the ruins. Shall they be answered? We have a great part in the answering of the same. Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest.

Malmö, Sweden, April 6, 1927.

INDIA NOTES

Vyara

Anetta C. Mow

On March 1 the brother of the Baroda State king visited the Vyara Mission boarding-schools. Being a man of wide experience, the good things which he said about our work were received as real compliments. He praised our girls highly for the capable way they had entered into the public program given in the town school earlier in the day.

Misses Anetta Mow and Sadie Miller took a day off to go to Baroda, the capital of Baroda State, to visit the government Training College for Women. It was a profitable trip, for many things truly worth-while were seen and heard. The principal in

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STATISTICAL REPORT FOR SWEDEN, 1926

Congregations	Elders	Ministers	Deacons	Preaching Services	Prayer Meetings	Y. P. Meetings	Junior Meetings	Aid Society Meetings	Pastoral Visits	Council Meetings	Love Feasts	Sunday-schools	Baptized	Reclaimed	Deaths	Total Membership	Contribution to Relief Work	Foreign Missions	Home Missions
Vanneberga	2	1	3	319	57	24	41	24	607	...	2	1	...	...	2	69	$ 362.05	$120.40	$ 10.50
Malmö	2	1	2	169	23	49	49	36	318	4	2	1	2	1	...	55	733.00	317.97	1,693.80
Olseröd	...	2	1	201	13	18	...	...	97	4	1	1	14	2	...	27	.....	132.95	104.39
Kjävlinge	1	...	...	87	42	...	...	...	91	2	..	1	2	...	...	12	131.00	20.00	68.00
Simrishamn	...	...	...	14	...	...	...	...	8	1	1	...	...	...	...	7	40.00	89.50	85.00
Total	5	4	6	790	135	91	90	60	1,121	11	6	4	18	3	2	170	$1,266.05	$680 82	$1,961.69

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR SWEDEN, 1926

Missionaries' supports, 3	Kr. 6,154.48
Native workers, 6	11,720.00
Traveling expenses for missionaries and native workers	1,621.80
Rents	1,356.00
Property expenses	200.02
Publication	700.00
	Kr. 21,750.50

Kr. 3.73 equal $1.

J. F. Graybill, Treasurer.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR DENMARK, 1926

Traveling expenses for native workers	Kr. 462.30
Property expenses	576.52
Publication	238.50
	Kr. 1,277.32

J. F. Graybill, Treasurer.

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR DENMARK, 1926

Congregations	Elders	Ministers	Deacons	Preaching Services	Prayer Meetings	Sunday-schools	Bible Readings	Pastoral Visits	Council Meetings	Love Feasts	Baptized	Deaths	Membership	Offering to Relief Work	Foreign Missions	Home Missions
Thy	1	1	3	32	...	1	...	11	2	1	2	1	46	$29.55	.....	$615.77
Vendsyssel	2	0	0	19	53	0	15	62	5	...	1	...	20	.....	$82.00	.....
	3	1	3	51	53	1	15	73	7	1	3	1	66	$29.55	$82.00	$615.77

FINANCIAL REPORT

of the General Mission Board of the Church of the Brethren

For the Year Ended February 28, 1927

Mission Income and Expense

Income—			
World Wide—			
Contributions reported in Visitor	$ 96,368.63		
Conference Budget—1926 (Schedule 14)	15,362.43		
Net from investments (Schedule 19)	57,831.20		
Mission Building and Contingent Reserve (Schedule 18)	20,000.00	$ 189,562.26	
India Mission (Schedule 1)		45,846.40	
China Mission (Schedule 2)		45,081.84	
Sweden Mission (Schedule 3)		1,220.16	
Africa Mission (Schedule 5)		28,709.29	
Home Missions (Schedule 6)		4,760.45	
Memo—			
From living donors	236,312.66		
From other sources	78,867.74		
Total Mission Income			$ 315,180.40
Deficit, February 28, 1927—			
World-Wide Missions		61,955.44	
Less balances—			
India funds (Schedule 1)	34,109.78		
China funds (Schedule 2)	2,945.70		
Africa funds (Schedule 5)	14,586.22		
Denmark funds (Schedule 4)	1,429.13	53,070.83	8,884.61
			$ 324,065.01
Deficit February 27, 1926—			
World-Wide Missions		$ 49,921.87	
Less balances—			
India funds (Schedule 1)	$ 32,067.53		
China funds (Schedule 2)	2,945.70		
Africa funds (Schedule 5)	3,363.33		
Denmark funds (Schedule 4)	1,429.13	39,805.69	$ 10,116.18
Expense—			
Administration (Schedule 7)		12,159.58	
Missionary Education (Schedule 8)		15,836.31	
India Mission (Schedule 1)		159,558.68	
China Mission (Schedule 2)		69,406.03	
Sweden Mission (Schedule 3)		6,090.05	
Denmark Mission (Schedule 4)		203.05	
Africa Mission (Schedule 5)		17,486.40	
Home Missions (Schedule 6)		33,208.73	
Total Mission Expense			313,948.83
			$ 324,065.01

Balance Sheet

as at February 28, 1927

Cash—	**Assets**	
Cash in office	$ 300.00	
Cash in bank	11,354.01	$ 11,654.01
Commercial Notes—short term		47,753.00
Accounts Receivable—		
Missionary Supports deficit (Schedule 20)	14,451.37	
Foreign bills paid and advances	11,941.72	
Income Special	5,415.91	
Gish Testament Fund deficit (Schedule 14)	143.14	31,952.14
Advances to Field Treasurers (Schedule 21)		84,008.60
Total current resources		175,367.75
General Securities—		
Church Extension Bills Receivable (Schedule 16)	21,693.11	
Contingent Investments Receivable	79,408.53	101,101.64
Investments for Endowments and Annuities—		
First Mortgage Farm Loans	1,279,223.94	
City Real Estate Bonds	75,026.50	
Public Utility Bonds	185,062.50	
Railroad Bonds	29,325.00	
Brethren Publishing House	50,000.00	
Advances on Real Estate	12,817.25	1,631,455.19
Mission Deficit—		
Overexpended mission funds		8,884.61
		$1,916,809.19
	Liabilities	
Notes Payable (Schedule 23)	$ 633.90	
Transmission Certificates (Schedule 22)	3,859.70	$ 4,493.60
Specific Funds—unexpended balances—		
Ministerial and Missionary Relief (Schedule 13)	30,978.06	
Miscellaneous Funds (Schedule 14)	18,370.91	49,348.97
Total current liabilities		53,842.57
Reserve Funds—		
Mission Building and Contingent Fund (Schedule 18)	56,224.44	
Reserve for Mission Advances	61,472.08	117,696.52
Special Funds—		
Church Extension Fund (Schedule 15)	36,085.04	
Contingent Agreements (Schedule 17)	79,408.53	115,493.57
Endowment and Annuity Funds—		
Mission endowment balances (Schedule 9)	527,428.84	
Miscellaneous endowment balances (Schedule 10)	110,194.58	
Endowment annuity bonds (Schedule 11)	673,889.61	
Mission annuity bonds (Schedule 12)	318,263.50	1,629,776.53
		$1,916,809.19

SCHEDULES

1. India Mission Fund

Balances, March 1, 1926—

Rhodes Memorial Fund	$ 5,300.00	
Quinter Memorial Hospital	6,571.91	
India School Dormitory Fund	2,375.00	
India Village Church Fund	950.00	
Anklesvar Church Fund	3,597.40	
Ross Auto Fund	1,500.00	
Dahanu Hospital Bldg. Fund	11,773.22	$ 32,067.53

Receipts—

Contributions reported in "Visitor"—			
Student F. F.—1926-27.	$ 214.62		
Foreign Missions (⅓)	1,557.70		
India general donations	4,640.10		
India Native Worker	890.42		
India Boarding School	1,988.97		
India Share Plan	4,402.47		
Dahanu Hospital Building	1,329.20		
Quinter Memorial Hospital	97.00		
Anklesvar Church House Fund	341.05		
India Hospitals	114.41		
India Widows' Home	7.00		
Vyara Church Bldg. Fund	54.00	15,636.94	
Missionary Supports (Schedule 20)		29,313.92	
Endowment income (Schedule 19)			
India general endowment	447.54		
Rohrer Memorial	60.00		
Rhodes Memorial	318.00	825.54	
Bequests (Schedule 24)		70.00	
Total receipts			45,846.40
From World Wide Fund to balance			115,754.53
			$193,668.46

Expenditures—

American Missionaries—		
Supports	$ 36,551.20	
Medical expenses	181.96	
Furlough rents	883.00	
Sending to field	2,528.56	
Doctors' literature	150.00	
National Christian Council of India	251.78	
To Annual Conference	78.52	
Income taxes	97.49	
Publications to field	48.91	
Unclassified expense	206.42	
Total expenses directed from home office		$ 40,977.84

Annual Budget Expenses (Field Operating)

Ahwa—		
Boys' Board. School	$ 1,096.22	
Evangelistic	2,576.82	
Girls' Board. School	857.95	
Medical	130.37	
Property Expense	493.48	
Women's work	132.73	5,287.57
Anklesvar—		
Evangelistic	3,279.17	
Girls' Board. School	4,916.29	
Industrial	62.49	
Property Expense	885.00	
Training School	196.69	
Vocational Training School	4,430.89	
Women's work	468.61	
Less farm income	**126.21**	14,112.93
Bulsar—		
Boys' Board. School	2,674.76	
Wankal Boys' Board. School	2,791.03	
Evangelistic	2,913.51	
Industrial School	808.92	
Medical	2,420.79	
Property Expense	994.09	
Women's work	33.45	12,636.55
Dahanu—		
Evangelistic	1,451.48	
Girls' Board. School	1,662.63	
Medical	676.47	
Property Expense	465.28	
Women's work	262.73	4,518.59
Jalalpor—		
Evangelistic	3,933.16	
Girls' Board. School	1,999.80	
Property Expense	414.64	
Women's work	462.16	6,809.76
Palghar—		
Boys' Board. School	3,598.73	
Evangelistic	777.51	
Industrial School	137.79	
Property Expense	122.91	
Women's work	18.58	4,655.52
Umalla—		
Boys' Board. School	3,335.00	
Evangelistic	2,061.80	
Industrial School	35.00	
Medical	63.21	
Property Expense	698.15	
Women's work	589.53	6,782.69
Vada—		
Boys' Board. School	394.30	
Evangelistic	1,614.33	
Girls' Board. School	691.38	
Property Expense	377.77	
Women's work	292.23	3,370.01
Vyara—		
Boys' Board. School	4,197.08	
Evangelistic	3,976.31	
Girls' Board. School	2,641.65	
Industrial School	388.51	
Property Expense	535.00	
Women's work	590.92	12,329.47
General—		
Administration offices	641.23	
Baby Home	1,097.48	
Bible School	1,161.85	
Furlough	7,084.87	
Landour Property Expense	149.91	
Language School	669.57	
Medical	478.85	
Miss'y. children—rent and travel	487.88	
Publishing	499.49	
Social Welfare	90.40	
Training School	173.95	
Vacation	1,686.50	
Widows' Home	357.53	14,579.51
Total Annual Budget expenses		85,082.60

New Property (new land, buildings and equipment)		
Ahwa—		
Toilets	77.64	
Well	753.33	
Workers' Quarters	760.02	1,591.00
Anklesvar—		
Mec. & Agri. Equipment	966.67	
Manual Arts Bldg.	8,450.26	
Vocational School Hostel	2,000.00	11,416.93
Bulsar—		
Land and grading	414.56	
Well	170.00	
Workers' Quarters	165.00	
Workers' Quarters	496.52	1,246.08
Dahanu—		
Cook house	227.85	
Fence	165.00	
Fence	27.52	
Hospital Building	11,665.29	
Medical Equipment	500.00	
Medical Equipment	980.22	
Workers' Quarters	1,347.88	14,913.76
Jalalpor—		
Toilets		88.13
Palghar—		
Workers' Quarters		1,198.60
Vada—		
Fence	100.00	
Land and grading	135.00	235.00
Vyara—		
Girls' Cook House	800.00	
Girls' Isolation Ward	1,000.00	
Girls' School Bldg.	400.00	
Stable	293.76	2,493.76
Total New Property projects completed		33,183.25
Cost of partly completed projects (to be itemized when completed)		8,050.56
		41,233.81
Less the same last year		20,734.68
Actual New Property expenditures		20,499.13
Loss in exchange—		
On supports		3,361.93
On Annual Budget expenses		7,766.08
On New Property expenses		1,871.10 12,999.11
Total expenditures		159,558.68
Balances, February 28, 1927—		
Rhodes Memorial Fund		5,618.00
Quinter Memorial Hospital Fund		6,571.91
India School Dormitory Fund		2,375.00
India Village Church Fund		950.00
Anklesvar Church House Fund		3,938.45
Vyara Church Bldg. Fund		54.00
Ross Auto Fund		1,500.00
Dahanu Hospital Building Fund		13,102.42 34,109.78
		$193,668.46

2. China Mission Fund

Balances, March 1, 1926—			
Liao Chou Girls' School Building		$ 813.00	
Liao Chou X-Ray Fund		1,732.70	
Ping Ting Girls' Dormitory		400.00	$ 2,945.70
Receipts—			
Contributions reported in "Visitor"—			
Student F. F. 1925-26	$ 1,000.00		
Foreign Missions (⅓)	1,557.71		
Junior League—1926	8,385.09		
China general donations	4,904.16		
China Native Worker	541.13		
China Boys' School	44.46		
China Girls' School	156.30		
China Share Plan	2,432.30		
China Hospitals	241.75		
Liao Chou Hospital	279.19	19,542.09	
Missionary Supports (Schedule 20)		25,398.75	
Endowment income (Schedule 19)		141.00	
Total receipts			45,081.84
From World Wide Fund to balance			24,324.19
			$ 72,351.73
Expenditures—			
American Missionaries—			
Supports		$ 30,701.13	
Medical expenses		405.49	
Furlough rents		1,244.10	
Sending to field		3,028.51	
Doctors' literature		90.00	
To Annual Conference		162.26	
Publications to field		32.80	
Shantung Christian University		1,000.00	
Furniture allowance		50.00	
Exchange on silver		52.39	
Unclassified expense		87.48	
Total expense directed from home office			$ 36,854.16
Annual Budget Expenses (Field operating)			
Liao—			
Rent	$ 69.49		
Repairs	293.08		
Boys' School	1,601.45		
Girls' School	1,029.35		
Men's Evangelistic	1,124.17		
Medical	1,395.00		
Language Teacher	110.50		
Chinese Buyer	48.00		
Miscellaneous	65.23	5,736.27	
Ping Ting—			
Rent	37.58		
Repairs	429.00		
Boys' School	1,567.76		
Girls' School	1,014.18		
Men's Evangelistic	1,210.49		
Medical	2,325.00		
Language Teacher	153.00		
Miscellaneous	142.47		
Middle School	899.71	7,779.19	
Shou Yang—			
Rent	40.74		
Repairs	187.78		
Boys' School	1,617.00		

Girls' School	686.80		
Men's Evangelistic .	930.00		
Medical	651.00		
Language Teacher .	174.40		
Chinese Buyer	70.00		
Miscellaneous	120.71	4,478.43	
Tai Yuan—			
Rent	626.75		
Repairs	45.66		
Men's Evangelistic .	788.26		
Language Teacher .	93.50		
Miscellaneous	1.00	1,555.17	
General—			
Agency Hire	227.52		
Building Dept. Expense Fund	91.34		
Furloughs	5,497.63		
Language School ..	120.00		
Miscellaneous	445.20		
Scholarships	60.00		
Tung Chou Tuition	275.00		
Chile, Shansi, Christian Ed. Ass'n. ..	52.65		
National Christian Council	240.00	7,009.36	
Total Annual Budget Expenses			$ 26,558.42
New Property (new land, buildings and equipment)—			
Liao—			
Changing Boys' to Girls' School	1,550.00		
Hospital Comp. & Lighting Plant ..	1,000.00		
Two deep wells	500.00		
Addition Chinese Doctor's Residence	40.00		
Completing Boys' School	300.00	3,390.00	
Ping Ting—			
Middle School Science Equip. and Furniture		500.00	
Total New Property projects completed .		3,890.00	
Cost of partly completed projects (to be itemized when completed)		8,221.11	
		12,111.11	
Less the same last year		7,400.45	
Actual New Property expenditures			4,710.66
Loss in exchange—			
On supports		385.89	
On Annual Budget Expenses		761.78	
On New Property Expenses		135.12	1,282.79
Total expenditures ..			69,406.03
Balances, February 28, 1927—			
Liao Chou Girls' School Building ..		813.00	
Liao Chou X-Ray Fund		1,732.70	
Ping Ting Girls' Dormitory Fund .		400.00	2,945.70
			$ 72,351.73

3. Sweden Mission Fund

Receipts—			
Contributions reported in "Visitor"		$ 120.16	
Missionary Supports (Schedule 20)		1,100.00	
Total receipts.....			$ 1,220.16
From World Wide Fund to balance .			4,869.89
			$ 6,090.05
Expenditures—			
American Missionaries—			
Supports		1,650.00	
Personal taxes		257.45	
Publications to field		4.86	
Total expense directed from home office			$ 1,912.31
Annual Budget Expenses (Field operating)			
Malmö—			
Publication .....$	187.60		
Traveling expenses	244.89		
Native Worker	556.37		
Native Worker in preparation	359.12	1,347.98	
Simrishamn—			
Hall rent	34.84		
Traveling expense .	13.40	48.24	
Olseröd—			
Native Worker	556.37		
Property expense ...	49.37		
Traveling expense .	40.20	645.94	
Vannaberga—			
Native Worker	556.37		
Property expense .	4.29		
Traveling expense .	67.00	627.66	
Tingsryd—			
Native Worker	556.37		
House and hall rent	201.00		
Traveling expense .	38.99	796.36	
Kjävlinge—			
Native Worker	556.37		
House rent	127.57		
Traveling expense .	30.15	714.09	
Total Annual Budget expense			4,180.27
Gross expenditures ..			6,092.58
Less—			
Gain in exchange			
On supports		1.21	
On Annual Budget Expenses		1.32	2.53
			$ 6,090.05

4. Denmark Mission Fund

Balance, March 1, 1926—		
Denmark Churchhouse fund		$ 1,429.13
Receipts—none		
From World Wide Fund to balance .		203.05
		$ 1,632.18
Expenditures—		
Advances for Bedsted property—repairs, interest, taxes, insurance, native worker support and monthly letters		$ 203.05

Balance, February 28, 1927—		
Denmark Church-house fund		1,429.13
		$ 1,632.18

5. Africa Mission Fund

Balance, March 1, 1926—			
Ruth Royer Kulp Memorial Hospital Fund			$ 3,363.33
Receipts—			
Contributions reported in "Visitor"—			
Africa general donations	$ 10,728.16		
Foreign Missions (⅓)	1,557.71		
B. Y. P. D. Fund	10.00		
Africa Share Plan ..	475.01		
A. S. F. M. F.	5,788.41	$ 18,559.29	
Missionary Supports (Schedule 20)		10,150.00	
Total receipts			28,709.29
			$ 32,072.62
Expenditures—			
American Missionaries—			
Supports		$ 5,985.00	
Doctors' literature .		100.00	
Publications to field		5.85	
Transportation—			
Sending to field		5,452.63	
Goods interior		1,310.67	
Return on furlough		71.04	
Furlough rents		127.50	
Advanced training .		221.37	
To Annual Conference		225.87	
Helser-Kulp Antwerp Conference ..		611.86	
Int'l. Inst. African Language and Culture		50.00	
Burke — southern schools		131.15	
Unclassified expense		168.60	
Total expense directed from home office			$ 14,461.54
Annual Budget Expenses (Field operating)			
General		631.82	
Evangelistic		78.21	
Medical		882.23	
Residence equipment		46.16	
Educational		177.44	
Shop		232.28	
Upkeep of premises		335.80	
Printing bills		70.81	
Total Annual Budget Expenses			2,454.75
New Property (new land, buildings and equipment)—			
Cost of partly completed projects (to be itemized when completed)		689.03	
Less the same last year		2.25	
Actual New Property Expense			685.78
Total gross expenditures			17,603.07
Less **Exchange** gain—			
On Annual Budget Expenses	91.17		
On New Property Expenses	25.50		116.67
Net expenditures ..			17,486.40
Balances, February 28, 1927—			
Ruth Royer Kulp Memorial Hospital Fund	9,151.74		
General fund	5,434.48		14,586.22
			$ 32,072.62

6. Home Mission Fund

Receipts—		
Contributions reported in "Visitor"—		
Student F. F. 1926-27	$ 107.31	
Student F. F. 1925-26	2,515.03	
Home general donations	1,499.19	
Greene County, Va., Mission donations	638.92	
Total receipts		$ 4,760.45
Balance from World Wide Fund to balance		28,448.28
		$ 33,208.73
Expenditures—		
Aid to Districts—		
Southern Iowa	$ 600.00	
No. Illinois & Wis.	1,966.67	
Southeastern Kansas	675.00	
Florida & Georgia .	600.00	
Okla., P. T. & N. M.	600.00	
Middle Missouri	600.00	
So. Virginia	1,110.00	
Idaho & W. Mont.	500.00	
Nebraska	500.00	
First Virginia	200.00	
S. W. Mo. & N. W. Ark.	500.00	
Michigan	500.00	
No. & So. Carolina	70.00	
Western Maryland .	425.00	
Northern Missouri .	100.00	
Canada	700.00	$ 9,646.67
Summer Pastorates—		
Adrian, Mo.	100.00	
Prairie Plains, Okla.	283.53	
Piqua, Ohio	288.90	
Sunfield, Mich.	230.02	
Portland, Oregon ..	120.00	
Walnut Grove, Tenn.	237.60	
Piney Flats, Tenn.	158.15	
Shelton, N. C.	206.33	
St. Joseph, Mo.	232.87	
Arriba, Colo.	228.53	
Penn Run, Pa.	190.01	
Afton, Nebr.	273.03	
Maple Grove, Wis.	258.84	
Eccles, Mo.	157.25	
Prairie View, Mo. ..	222.04	
Antioch, Va.	310.20	
D. V. B. S. work—		
Tennessee & N. Car.	581.56	
Michigan	282.16	
Wisconsin	391.78	
Miscellaneous	16.50	4,769.30
Regular Pastorates—		
Johnson City, Tenn.	1,600.00	
Fort Worth, Texas	1,500.00	
Broadwater, Mo. ..	870.00	
Rose Pine, Louisiana	642.67	
No. St. Joseph, Mo.	233.60	
Portland, Oregon .	728.23	5,574.50
Traveling Evangelists—		
To Fruitdale and		

Citronelle, Ala.; Carthage, Mo.; Ft. Scott and Galesburg, Kans.; Roanoke and Rose Pine, La.; St. Joseph and Broadwater, Mo.; Georges Creek and Cherry Grove, Md.; Piney Flats, Tenn. .			775.73
Miscellaneous—			
Cont. to Home Missions Council		300.00	
Supplies to pastorates		23.84	323.84
Greene Co., Va., Mission—School operation—			
Workers' wages ..$	4,041.00		
Commissary	1,433.68		
Light Plant	156.98		
Heating Plant	275.00		
Telephone dues	43.05	5,949.71	
School Equipment—			
Office supplies	48.34		
Dormitory equipment	81.89	130.23	
Farm Operation—			
Manager, wages	650.00		
Labor	711.96		
Grass seed	112.88		
Cow peas and beans	40.25		
Cotton seed and calf meal	96.17		
Gas and oil	328.77		
Tires and repairs ..	113.55		
Auto licenses	55.45		
Lime and fertilizer .	145.35		
Miscellaneous	269.61	2,523.99	
Farm Equipment—			
Fencing	83.90		
Spray materials	28.02		
Small tools	107.08		
Lumber	25.00	244.00	
New Property (completed)—			
Front steps	65.00		
Lattice work	43.73		
Well house	33.30		
Kitchen range	242.00		
New truck	458.00		
Hog house	139.60		
Hennery	149.13		
Grain drill	115.00		
Lime spreader	60.00		
Gas engine	100.00		
One horse wagon ..	68.42		
Set work harness ..	16.00		
Belt	14.33		
	1,504.51		
Cost of uncompleted new property items (to be itemized when completed) .	38.32		
	1,542.83		
Less the same last year	131.59		
Actual New Property expenses		1,411.24	
General—			
Interest on farm purchase money .	240.00		
Insurance	217.80		
Miscellaneous	8.18	465.98	
			10,725.15
Less income from—			
Board, room and tuition	705.21		
Farm	717.50		
Miscellaneous	33.54		
Insurance barn fire loss	2,400.00	3,856.25	
Net expenditures			6,868.90
Home Secretary Department Expense—			
Information service		19.10	
Miscellaneous		35.30	
Office rent		233.00	
Office stationery & supplies		136.94	
Office equipment ..		278.03	
Postage and mailing		126.28	
Salaries and office help		3,166.19	
Telephone and telegraph		31.81	
Traveling expense .		1,223.14	5,249.79
			$ 33,208.73

7. Administration Expense

General Secretary's Department—			
Board meetings		$ 638.90	
Foreign deputation		2,756.44	
Information service		105.10	
Medical examinations		11.00	
Contribution to Committee of Ref. & Counsel		600.00	
Bronze tablet - J. H. B. Williams		85.00	
Miscellaneous		93.93	
Office rent		209.00	
Office stationery and supplies		110.92	
Postage		67.81	
Salaries & office help		3,627.26	
Student Vol. work .		117.75	
Telephone and telegraph		36.13	
Traveling expense .		341.25	$ 8,800.49
Treasurer's Department—			
Auditing		234.47	
Fidelity bonds		27.50	
Miscellaneous		34.05	
Office rent		198.00	
Office stationery and supplies		179.51	
Postage		69.88	
Salaries & office help		2,508.25	
Telephone and telegraph		29.14	
Traveling expense		78.29	3,359.09
Total Administration Expense			$ 12,159.58

8. Missionary Education

Missionary Visitor—			
Illustrating .....$	293.38		
Binding files	33.97		
Printing & mailing (average circulation 15,281)	8,173.43	$ 8,500.78	
Less paid subscriptions		378.63	
Net cost of "Visitor"			$ 8,122.15
General—			
Deputation work ..	305.61		
Exhibits	60.22		
Mimeo supplies	85.74		
Missionary Education Movement ..	111.00		
Miscellaneous	12.28		

Mission Study—			
Outside purchases	2,656.58		
Our publications .	3.79		
Office rent	297.00		
Office stationery and supplies	100.62		
Office equipment ...	425.00		
Office traveling expense	92.68		
Pamphlets, leaflets, etc.	1,473.40		
Postage & mailing	805.11		
Salaries & office help	3,979.19		
Stereopticons and slides	531.25		
Telephone and telegraph	17.38	10,956.85	
Less sales of—			
Outside purchases	2,922.74		
Our publications .	272.45		
Slide rentals	47.50	3,242.69	
Net gen. expenses .			7,714.16
Total Missionary Education Expense			$ 15,836.31

9. Mission Endowment

World Wide—			
Balance, March 1, 1926		$505,664.84	
Receipts numbered—			
89346 ..... $25.00			
90246 ..... 25.00	$ 50.00		
Transfer from endowment annuities —death lapses (Schedule 11)	10,905.00		
Total receipts		10.955.00	
Balance, February 28, 1927			$516,619.84
India—			
Balance, March 1, 1926		7,459.00	
No receipts or transfers			
Balance, Feb. 28, 1927			7,459.00
China—			
Balance, March 1, 1926		2,350.00	
No receipts or transfers			
Balance Feb. 28, 1927			2,350.00
H. H. Rohrer Memorial—			
Balance, March 1, 1926		1,000.00	
No receipts or transfers			
Balance, Feb. 28, 1927			1,000.00
Total Mission Endowment			$527,428.84

10. Miscellaneous Endowment

Ministerial & Missionary Relief—			
Balance, March 1, 1926		$ 10.00	
No receipts or transfers			
Balance, Feb. 28, 1927			$ 10.00
Gospel Messenger—			
Balance, March 1, 1926		16,506.56	
Receipts numbered—			
91088		35.00	
Balance, Feb. 28, 1927			16,541.56
Gish Estate—			
Balance, March 1, 1926		56,667.08	
No receipts or transfers			
Balance, Feb. 28, 1927			56,667.08
D. C. Moomaw Memorial—			
Balance, March 1, 1926		8,672.25	
Receipts		33.01	
Balance, Feb. 28, 1927			8,705.26
Book and Tract—			
Balance, March 1, 1926		28,130.68	
Receipts numbered—			
89300 ..... $ 20.00			
89450 ..... 20.00			
91933 ..... 100.00		140.00	
Balance, Feb. 28, 1927			28,270.68
Total Miscellaneous Endowment			$110,194.58

11. Endowment Annuity Bonds

Balance, March 1, 1926		$651.174.61	
Receipts numbered—			
88026	$ 1,000.00		
89393	100.00		
89685	1,000.00		
90032	300.00		
90282	300.00		
90712	1,000.00		
90844	500.00		
91204	500.00		
91518	2,000.00		
91560	1,000.00		
92041	600.00		
92279	100.00		
92333	1,500.00		
92451	370.00		
92555	1,000.00		
92659	2,000.00		
92672	500.00		
92720	1,000.00		
92728	500.00		
93011	100.00		
93129	100.00		
93331	200.00		
94771	100.00		
94772	300.00		
94873	300.00		
95048	500.00		
95394	5,250.00		
95433	1,000.00		
95478	4,750.00		
95574	2,500.00		
95645	2,400.00		
95882	1,000.00		
96180	1,000.00		
96217	100.00		
96519	100.00		
Total receipts		34,970.00	
		686,144.61	
Less—			
Refund	1,350.00		
Transfers to World Wide endowment death lapses (Schedule 9) ..	10,905.00	12,255.00	
Balance, Feb. 28, 1927			$673.889.61

12. Mission Annuity Bonds

Balance, March 1, 1926		$281,563.50	
Receipts numbered—			
89045	$ 300.00		
89114	500.00		
89251	1,000.00		
89322	500.00		
89501	1,500.00		
89700	1,000.00		
90129	5,000.00		
90341	50.00		
91559	10,000.00		
91585	1,000.00		
91660	500.00		
92329	1,000.00		
92380	500.00		
92419	1,000.00		
92541	1,000.00		
92889	250.00		
92975	5,000.00		
93289	500.00		
94010	1,000.00		
94826	1,000.00		
95526	500.00		
95641	10,000.00		
Total receipts		43,100.00	
		324,663.50	
Less—			
Transfers to Bequests and Lapsed Annuities death lapses (Schedule 24)	6,300.00		
Refunded as World Wide Mission Do.	100.00	6,400.00	
Balance, Feb. 28, 1927			$318,263.50

13. Ministerial and Missionary Relief

General Fund—			
Balance, March 1, 1926		$ 19,794.66	
Receipts—			
Donations	$ 107.50		
Refunds on support	327.46		
Breth. Pub. House (Schedule 25)	11,000.00		
Conference Budget (Schedule 14)	10,831.80		
Gish Estate Endowment (Schedule 19)	680.00		
General endowment (Schedule 19)	.60		
Total receipts		22,947.36	
		42,742.02	
Expenditures—			
In assistance to ministers, their widows or orphans		14,098.40	
Balance, Feb. 28, 1927			$ 28,643.62
Denmark Poor Fund—			
Balance, March 1, 1926		2,600.60	
Receipts—none			
Expenditures—			
In assistance to Danish Brethren		266.16	
Balance, Feb. 28, 1927			2,334.44
Total Ministerial & Missionary Relief balances			$ 30,978.06

14. Miscellaneous Funds

General Relief and Reconstruction—				
Balance, March 1, 1926			$ 140.01	
Receipts—				
Donations reported in "Visitor"—				
Near East Relief	$ 3,607.28			
Armenian	143.61			
General	5.00			
Florida Tornado	97.95			
Total receipts			3,853.84	
			3,993.85	
Expenditures—				
National Red Cross, Washington, D. C.	97.95			
Near East Relief, Philadelphia, Pa.	438.57			
Near East Relief, New York	3,312.32			
Total expenditures			3,848.84	
Balance, Feb. 28, 1927				$ 145.01
Sundry Balances— (no changes from March 1, 1926)				
Japan Mission				98.80
Philippine Mission				81.40
Porto Rico Mission				234.42
Arab Mission				50.00
So. Amer. Mission				152.34
New Eng. Mission				202.50
Southern Native White Mission				197.23
Cuba Mission				331.27
Australia Mission				16.00
Jerusalem Mission				200.66
Colored Mission				156.10
Colored Mission Industrial				397.75
Italian Mission—				
Receipts—				
Donations reported in "Visitor"			31.00	
Transfer from Mission Annuity (last year)			300.00	
Total receipts			331.00	
Expenditures—				
Sent for Brooklyn Mission			331.00	
Student Loan Fund—				
Balance, March 1, 1926			5,244.69	
Receipts—				
Conference Budget (Schedule 14)	3,646.43			
Bequests (Schedule 24)	100.00			
Repayment of loans—				
Principal	1,000.00			
Interest	248.41			
Total receipts			4,994.84	
			10,239.53	
Expenditures—				
Loans to students and school debts			4,500.00	
Balance, Feb. 28, 1927				5,739.53
Stover Lecture Foundation—				
Balance, March 1, 1926			217.47	
Receipts — interest from investment			60.00	
Balance, Feb. 28, 1927				277.47
Gish Pub. Fund—*				
Balance, March 1, 1926			2,864.50	
Receipts—				
By sales of books Gish Estate en-	1,405.19			

* See statistical table in this "Visitor"

dowment (Schedule 19)	2,720.02		
Total receipts		4,125.21	
		6,989.71	
Expenditures—			
To purchase of books	2,689.34		
Postage and packing on same	573.84		
Printing bills	34.25	3,297.43	
Balance, Feb. 28, 1927			3,692.28
Conference Budget—			
Receipts—			
Contributions reported in "Visitor"—			
Conference Budget	58,154.64		
Conference Budget Designated	340.65		
March World Service	4,280.00		
Total receipts		62,775.29	
Expenditures—			
General expense—			
Literature and general printing	443.90		
Miscellaneous	24.36		
Stationery and supplies	124.21		
Postage	139.16		
Office rent	100.00		
Salaries and office help	3,049.97		
Traveling expense	360.49		
Total general expenses	4,242.09		
Balance of Council of Promotion share to new year	133.63		
Distribution—			
World Wide Missions	15,362.43		
Church Extension (Schedule 15)	7,214.31		
Ministerial & Missionary Relief (Schedule 13)	10,831.80		
Student Loan (Schedule 14)	3,646.43		
General Sunday School Board	5,522.59		
General Educational Board	3,486.70		
General Ministerial Board	2,911.15		
General Welfare Board	3,249.20		
Tract Examining Committee	364.66		
Music Committee	583.43		
American Bible Society	606.22		
Designated funds turned over	340.65		
Total expenditures		58,495.29	
Balance, Feb. 28, 1927			4,280.00
Book and Tract Work—			
Balance, March 1, 1926		1,103.89	
Receipts—			
Endowment note interest	88.89		
Endowment income (Schedule 19)	1,693.04		
Sales of tracts	40.87		
Total receipts		1,822.80	
		2,926.69	
Expenditures—			
Missionary Gospel Messengers	483.00		
Rebates on endowments	104.85		
Tract mailing	201.92		
Tract publication	18.77		
Total expenditures		808.54	
Balance, Feb. 28, 1927			2,118.15
Total of Miscellaneous Funds			$ 18,370.91
Gish Testament Fund—			
Deficit, March 1, 1926		$ 748.69	
Receipts—			
From Brethren Publishing House (Schedule 25)		605.55	
Deficit, February 28, 1927			$ 143.14

15. Church Extension Fund

Balance, March 1, 1926		$ 28,398.18	
Receipts—			
Contributions reported in "Visitor"	$ 78.55		
Conference Budget (Schedule 14)	7,214.31		
Interest on loans	394.00		
Total receipts		7,686.86	
Balance, February 28, 1927			$ 36,085.04

16. Church Extension Bills Receivable

Balance, March 1, 1926		$ 14,893.11	
Loans made—			
North Spokane, Wash.	$ 3,000.00		
Detroit, Mich.	5,000.00		
Lakeland, Fla.	800.00		
Total loans made		8,800.00	
		23,693.11	
Loans paid off—			
Mt. Garfield, Colo.	50.00		
Figarden, Calif.	100.00		
Oakland, Calif.	1,050.00		
Rockford, Ill.	800.00		
Total loans paid off		2,000.00	
Balance, February 28, 1927			$ 21,693.11

17. Contingent Agreements

Balance, March 1, 1926	$ 74,193.44	
Receipts—		
For year (6 items)	12,102.50	
	86,295.94	
Less—		
Transfers and cancellations	6,887.41	
Balance, February 28, 1927		$ 79,408.53

18. Mission Building and Contingent Reserve

Balance, March 1,1926	$ 60,866.84	
Receipts—		
By transfer from Bequests & Lapsed Annuities (Schedule 24)	15,357.60	
	76,224.44	

Expenditures—			
Transfer to World Wide Fund		20,000.00	
Balance, February 28, 1927		$ 56,224.44	

19. Investment Income and Expense

Receipts—			
Interest received from—			
Endowment contracts .....$	428.53		
Farm mortgage loans	66,316.35		
Public Util. bonds	7,858.33		
Railroad bonds ..	1,303.33		
City Real Estate bonds	3,507.92		
Short Term loans	262.24		
Local bank balances	658.02		
Foreign bank bal.	273.57	$ 80,608.29	
Brethren Pub. House (Schedule 25)		44,000.00	
Total receipts			$124,608.29
Expenditures—			
Annuities paid		$ 53,451.89	
Endowment income transferred—			
Rhodes Memorial (Schedule 1) ....$	318.00		
India general (Schedule 1)	447.54		
Rohrer Memorial (Schedule 1)	60.00		
China general (Schedule 2)	141.00		
Ministerial & Missionary Relief (Schedule 13) ..	.60		
Gish Estate—			
Pub. Fund (Schedule 14)	2,720.02		
Ministerial & Missionary Relief (Schedule 13) ..	680.00		
D. C. Moomaw Memorial	520.53		
Book and Tract work (Schedule 14)	1,693.04		
Gospel Messenger (Schedule 22)	991.86	7,572.59	
General expenses—			
Advances on anticipations	287.04		
Annuity publicity	150.97		
Auditing	110.71		
Fidelity bonds ..	27.50		
Information service	93.07		
Investment losses	1,122.81		
Legal services ...	41.50		
Loan agencies	289.30		
Miscellaneous	91.54		
Office rent	143.00		
Office stationery & supplies	154.38		
Postage & mailing	81.21		
Recording fees ..	21.20		
Salaries and office help	2,668.74		
Telephone & telegraph	26.46		
Traveling expense	443.18	5,752.61	
Net receipts to World Wide Fund		57,831.20	
Total expenditures ..			$124,608.29

20. Missionary Supports

Receipts—			
Contributions reported in "Visitor" (credited to supporting accounts)		$ 60,502.98	
Deficit, Feb. 28, 1927 .		14,451.37	$ 74,954.35
Deficit, March 1, 1927		8,991.68	
Transfers—			
Supports charged were credited to—			
India Mission Fund (Schedule 1) .....$	29,313.92		
China Mission Fund (Schedule 2)	25,398.75		
Sweden Mission Fund (Schedule 3)	11,000.00		
Africa Mission Fund (Schedule 5)	10,150.00		
Total transfers		65,962.67	$ 74,954.35

21. Advances to Field Treasurers

India Treasurer—			
Balance on field, March 1, 1926		$ 24,844.39	
Charged for—			
Drafts paid .....$	155,000.00		
Advices sent	9,753.07		
Other transfers ..	1,192.03	165,945.10	
		190,789.49	
Credited for—			
Expenditures on field		158,431.62	
Balance on field, February 28, 1927 .			$ 32,357.87
China Treasurer—			
Balance on field, March 1, 1926		21,269.36	
Charged for—			
Drafts paid	59,000.00		
Advices sent	12,108.80		
Other transfers ..	1,074.34	72,183.14	
		93,452.50	
Credited for—			
Expenditures on field		65,801.42	
Balance on field, February 28, 1927 .			27,651.08
Sweden Treasurer—			
Balance on field, March 1, 1927		3,208.12	
Charged for—			
Draft remittances	5,217.85		
Other transfers ..	971.83	6,189.68	
		9,397.80	
Credited for—			
Expenditures on field		6,093.59	
Balance on field, February 28, 1927 .			3,304.21
Denmark Treasurer—			
Balance, March 1, 1926		105.18	
Credited for—			
Refunds on balance		105.18	
Africa Treasurer—			
Balance on field, March 1, 1926		5,727.15	
Charged for—			
Funds transferred	16,995.00		
Advices sent	8,385.19		
Other transfers ...	259.47	25,639.66	
		31,366.81	
Credited for—			
Expenditures on field		11,301.11	
Balance, Feb. 28, 1927			20,065.70

Greene Co., Va., Mission Treasurer—		
Balance, March 1, 1926	1,088.91	
Charged for—		
Funds transferred	9,800.00	
	10,888.91	
Credited for—		
Expenses incurred	10,259.17	
Balance, Feb. 28, 1927		629.74
Total Advances to Field Treasurers		$ 84,008.60

22. Transmission Certificates

Balance outstanding March 1, 1926 ..... $ 1,726.63

Receipts—

Numbered

89135	$ 20.00	J.166	1.29
89293	122.00	J.166	19.84
89343	7.50	J.166	5.00
89484	20.00	93273	15.00
89494	10.00	J.167	15.00
89664	100.00	93293	35.00
89693	75.00	93301	5.00
89827	8.00	93298	2.50
89876	76.15	93314	50.00
89908	20.00	93335	3.00
J.153	9.84	J.168	25.00
90502	100.00	93380	10.00
90560	58.50	J.169	200.00
91089	200.00	J.169	200.00
91747	65.75	J.169	100.00
91853	225.00	J.169	200.00
91936	6.50	J.169	200.00
92029	20.00	J.169	100.00
92035	47.50	93418	35.00
J.160	194.94	93489	5.00
92051	75.00	93493	100.00
92096	62.65	93901	10.00
92102	33.25	94171	8.00
92116	35.00	94171	8.00
92162	10.00	94171	5.00
92162	10.00	94171	24.00
92162	10.00	94358	10.00
92310	150.00	94583	75.00
92327	30.00	94583	111.00
J.162	100.00	94730	2.00
J.162	100.00	94749	113.00
J.162	100.00	J.171	50.00
J.162	100.00	J.171	50.00
J.162	100.00	J.171	50.00
J.162	100.00	J.171	30.00
J.162	100.00	J.171	30.00
J.162	100.00	J.171	50.00
J.162	100.00	95370	4.51
J.162	100.00	95528	35.00
J.162	100.00	J.172	122.60
J.163	57.50	95628	90.20
92577	51.60	95689	36.60
92678	61.00	J.173	4.00
J.164	25.00	J.173	3.30
92805	20.00	J.173	1.03
92831	111.50	J.174	10.00
92869	50.80	J.174	50.00
92952	6.00	96158	6.00
92961	10.00	96177	500.00
93050	6.50	96280	205.00
93050	5.50	J.175	100.00

Total receipts for which Certificates Nos. 2406-2507 were issued	6,428.85	
	8,155.48	
Expenditures—		
Certificates redeemed	4,295.78	
Balance outstanding February 28, 1927		$ 3,859.70

23. Notes Payable

Balance, March 1, 1926		$ 7,633.90
Receipts—		
Money borrowed, none		
Expenditures—		
Notes paid off	7,000.00	
Balance, February 28, 1927		$ 633.90

24. Bequests and Lapsed Annuities

Receipts—

From bequests—

Numbered

89038	M. B. & C. R.	$ 35.00	
90011	M. B. & C. R.	256.41	
90214	India	70.00	
91717	M. B. & C. R.	1,638.38	
91718	M. B. & C. R.	158.74	
92000	M. B. & C. R.	1,253.58	
92012	M. B. & C. R.	500.00	
92596	M. B. & C. R.	100.00	
92798	M. B. & C. R.	3,079.80	
93346	M. B. & C. R.	400.00	
94490	M. B. & C. R.	10.69	
95677	M. B. & C. R.	950.00	
96224	M. B. & C. R.	475.00	
96516	M. B. & C. R.	300.00	$ 9,227.60

From lapsed annuities—			
For M. B. & C. R.	6,200.00		
For student Loan Fund	100.00	6,300.00	
Total receipts			$ 15,527.60
Transfers to—			
M. B. & C. R. (Schedule 18)		15,357.60	
India Mission Fund (Schedule 1)		70.00	
Student Loan Fund (Schedule 14)		100.00	
Total transfers			$ 15,527.60

25. Brethren Publishing House

Receipts—		
1925-1926 earnings turned over	$ 55,000.00	
Income "Gospel Messenger" endowment (Schedule 10)	991.86	
Office rent charged to departments (Schedules 6, 7, 8)	1,080.00	
Gish Testament sales	605.55	$ 57,677.41
Expenditures—		
Office rent paid over	$ 1,080.00	
"Gospel Messenger" endowment paid over	991.86	
20% of earnings to Ministerial & Missionary Relief (Schedule 13)	11,000.00	
80% of earnings to Investment Income (Schedule 19)	44,000.00	
Gish Testament Fund credit (Schedule 14)	605.55	$ 57,677.41

Statement of Gish Publishing Fund for Year Ending Feb. 28, 1927

		3-1-26 Invty.	Bought	Sold to B. P. H.	Sold to Ministers	Invty. 2-28-27	Loss on sales to ministers @$	Loss on sales to ministers $
11	Bible Dictionary,	73		5	37	31	.98	36.26
15	Eternal Verities,	37		1	24	12	.23	5.52
19	Modern Secret Societies,	44		1	16	27	.75	12.00
23	Cruden's Concordance,	47			39	8	.66	25.74
26	Bible Atlas,	34			27	7	1.55	41.85
31	Twelve Apostles,	278		5	36	237	.36	12.96
33	Sick, Dying, Dead,	239		5	35	199	.21	7.35
36	Universalism Against Itself,	243			18	225	.11	1.98
37	Problems of Pulpit & Platform,	145			30	115	.12	3.60
68	Archaeology & The Bible,	9	53	1	36	25	1.37	49.32
86	A History of the Christian Church,	60			45	15	1.36	61.20
92	Greatness & Simplicity of the Christian Faith,	57			7	50	.02	.14
93	Essentials of Evangelism,	31			7	24	.48	3.36
93A	A Man & His Money,	14			6	8	1.13	6.78
95	Parish Evangelism,	42			7	35	.47	3.29
97	The Heart of the Old Testament,	17			10	7	.56	5.60
100	Men, Women and God,		94	2	92		.48	44.16
101	The Christian & His Money Problems,	3	75		75	3	.52	39.00
102	Pastor's Manual,	279		8	154	117	1.08	166.32
103	The Character of Paul,	22	73		95		.86	81.70
104	A Kingdom That Cannot Be Shaken,	19	14		33		.48	15.84
105	The Jesus of Our Fathers,	21	114		135		1.16	156.60
106	The Business of Missions,	73	73		146		.44	64.24
107	Report of Washington Missionary Conference,	5	75		76	4	1.43	108.68
108	The One Volume Bible Commentary,	1	200	7	164	30	1.25	205.00
109	The Minister's Everyday Life,	39	100		105	34	.67	70.35
110	The Highest Office,	44	100		100	44	.77	77.00
111	Visitation Evangelism,	42	100	2	105	35	.50	52.50
112	Devotional Leadership,	36	100		105	31	.51	53.55
113	Reality & Religion,	44	100	1	101	42	.37	37.37
114	Reality in Worship,		250		152	98	.62	94.24
115	The Mother of Jesus,		200		150	50	.32	48.00
116	The Local Church,		200		144	56	.42	60.48
117	What Is Faith,		250		152	98	.64	97.28
118	Never Man So Spake,		245	1	173	71	.57	98.61
119	Five Laws That Govern Prayer,		200	2	171	27	.43	73.53
120	A Christian Program for the Rural Community,		200		165	35	.50	82.50
121	The Clash of Color,		200		149	51	.52	77.48
122	Educational Blue Book & Directory of the Church of the Brethren,		160		122	38		
123	Education for Peace,		200		168	32	.39	65.52
		1,998	3,376	41	3,412	1,921		$2,146.90

Statement of the Fund

By **Balance** on hand March 1, 1926		$2,864.50
Books paid last year as cost this year		82.90
Sales, 3,412 books to ministers	$1,240.65	
Sales, 41 books to B. P. H. @ cost	42.09	
Sales, Home Study books	39.55	1,322.29
Income Gish Estate Endowment		2,720.02
		$6,989.71
To cost 3,376 books bought	$2,689.34	
Postage & packing on same	573.84	
Printing bills	34.25	3,297.43
Balance on hand February 28, 1927		$3,692.28

Proof of Inventory Value

Inventory value March 1, 1926		$1,596.18
Cost of books bought	3,263.18	$4,859.36
By sales to B. P. H. @ cost	$ 42.09	
By sales to ministers	1,240.65	
Loss on sales to ministers	2,146.90	
Inventory value Feb. 28, 1927	1,386.97	
Adjustment inventory value of last year	42.75	$4,859.36

AFRICA MISSION NOTES FOR JANUARY AND FEBRUARY

William Beahm

Our year opened with the Flohrs and the Kulps on their voyage to us. And Mr. Helser and Mr. Mallott were on a site seeing trip in the northeastern corner of Yola (now Adamawa) Province. They were delegated to choose and apply for a site among the Margi tribe whose language is very closely related to Bura. Accordingly a site was chosen at Dille which is about four days' journey east of Garkidda. We have received permission to begin building and opening the work there. Mr. and Mrs. Kulp have been selected to carry on the work there and are now on the job.

We have received permission also to open the work and do building at Gardemna which is 15 miles down the Hawal Valley from Garkidda. Mr. Mallott is busy getting a shelter for the rainy season and carrying on the work there.

Dr. Gibbel has been busy all of his spare hours binding up the nations's wounds and healing their diseases. Mr. Flohr has been busy in spare hours giving much needed aid to Mr. Heckman in getting buildings finished and ready for the coming rains. All of the newly arrived workers are doing exceptional work in acquiring the language. In gathering and organizing material for their beginning study Mr. Kulp has also quickened the interest of us all in improving our grasp of the language.

Our compound is a gayer place since we have the voices and lithe forms of white children in constant evidence. It is our hope that they will be able to stand the climate in satisfactory fashion for their contribution both to the joy of the mission families and to the testimony of the mission to the Bura people is invaluable.

The school has continued to grow and keep the interest of the boys. We have been able to enlarge our enrollment, enlarge our program, and intensify all of our work since the arrival of our furloughed workers.

Village preaching has increased in quantity and interest since there are more here to take part. And the experiment of a five day working week has given large promise of better Sunday services at Garkidda. Hitherto the folks who worked for us in our building would take Sunday to visit their friends and do other odd chores which accumulated during their busy week. We are now giving them Saturday off to do all such things and are urging their attendance at Sunday services with astonishing success. The two classes for budding Christians have continued with keen interest. It is still our hope to baptize a selected number of them this Easter.

Plans are well under way to begin work on our new hospital yet this year. The wet season appears to be the choice time to do cement work and we have already secured the cement to begin the foundation work this summer.

Mr. Mallott took his vacation this year by going along with Mr. Kulp to get building started at Dille. The Heckmans and Beahms spent their time at the Rest Home of the Sudan Interior Mission at Miango which is 25 miles from Jos up on the plateau.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Conference Offering, 1927. As of April 30, 1927, the Conference (Budget) offering for the year ending February 29, 1928, stands as follows:

Cash received since March 1, 1927 .....$ 27,924.20

(The 1927 Budget of $408,300.00 is 6.8% raised, whereas it should be 16.6%).

Mission Board Treasury Statement. The following shows the condition of mission finances on April 30, 1927:

Income since March 1, 1927	$ 35,063.25
Income same period last year	38,270.09
Expense since March 1, 1927	52,227.76
Expense same period last year	43,923.05
Mission deficit April 30, 1927	26,049.12
Mission deficit March 31, 1927	15,077.38
Increase in deficit for April, 1927	10,971.74

Tract Distribution: During the month of March the Board sent out 2,017 doctrinal tracts.

Correction No. 1. See May, 1927, Visitor under Conference Budget Fund in credit to $264.21 to Harris Creek, So. Ohio. $23.55 was since designated for Junior League—1926, and was so credited in April, 1927, Visitor.

Correction No. 2. See March, 1927, Visitor under Conf. Budget, credit of $210.00 to Sheldon, No. Iowa, is cancelled as had been sent to us in error and is refunded.

March Receipts. The following contributions for the various funds were received during March:

WORLD-WIDE MISSIONS

Arizona—$17.62
S. S.: Glendale, ...$ 17.62

California—$308.31
No. Dist., Cong.: Raisin City, $10; Live Oak, $5; Modesto, $16; S. S.: Modesto, $21.18; Live Oak, $3.34; Aid Soc.: Reedley, $3; Indv.: Unknown donor of Macdoel, $5.46, ... 63.98
So. Dist., Cong.: Inglewood, $2; Pasadena, $129.73; Calvary (L. A.) $50; Belvedere, $20.60; S. G. Lehmer (M. N.) (1st Los Angeles) $.50; G. Nofziger (Pasadena) $10; Lulu Terford (1st Los Angeles) $25; Aid Soc.: Hermosa Beach, $6; Indv.: A. C. Snowberger (M. N.) $.50, .. 244.33

Canada—$23.00
Cong.: Bow Valley, $14.25; Aid Soc.: "Willing Workers" (Sec. Irricana) $8.75, .. 23.00

Colorado—$46.65
No. Dist., Cong.: Fruita, ... 46.65

Florida—$21.88
Cong.: Seneca, $4.30; S. S.: Sebring, $12.08; Aid Soc.: Seneca, $5.50, ... 21.88

Idaho—$14.05
Cong.: Nezperce, $10.50; Aid Soc.: Twin Falls, $3.55, ... 14.05

Illinois—$58.59
No. Dist., Cong.: Sterling, $3; Polo, $8.32; Forest Eisenbise (M. N.) (Lanark) $.50; S. S.: Louisa (Waddams Grove) $9.35; Batavia, $8; Aid Soc.: Batavia, $3.51; Naperville, $3.50, .. 36.18
So. Dist., Cong.: Virden, $3.41; Romine, $3.95; No. 96667 (Hurricane Creek) $10; S. S.: Big Creek, $5.05, ... 22.41

Indiana—$960.42
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Spring Creek, $70; Monticello, $65; Walton, $22.93; Cart Creek, $38.66; Huntington, $46.52; Congs.: $57.98; S. S.: Huntington, $100.98; Pleasant Dale, $20.35; Aid Soc.: Huntington, $25; Pipe Creek, $10; Joint Aid Soc. Meeting at No. Manchester, $16.45, ... 473.87
No. Dist., Cong.: Cedar Creek, $7.56; Baugo, $45.48; Union Center, $29.50; West Goshen, $77.50; Blue River, $7.35; Velma Ober (Cedar Lake) $50; Ivan Holdeman (Elkhart) $25; S. S.: Elkhart Valley, $100; Plymouth, $32.73; Florence (Shipshewana) $25; Aid Soc.: Pleasant Valley, $14; Baugo & Wakarusa, $6.10; Maple Grove, $5; Elkhart City, $8.50; W. Goshen, $5, ... 438.72
So. Dist., Cong.: Four Mile, $44.83; J. G. Stinebaugh (M. N.) (Rossville) $.50; F. E. McCune (M. N.) (Four Mile) $.50; Indv.: R. M. Arndt, $2, ... 47.83

Iowa—$341.41
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Des Moines Valley, $30; Dallas Center, $20.10; S. S.: Prairie City, $15.68; Yale (Coon River) $5.35; Aid Soc.: Coon River, $15; Panther Creek, $16, ... 102.13
No. Dist., Cong.: Curlew, $106.38; Greene, $2; Minnie M. Hersch (Waterloo City-So. Waterloo) $10; Mrs. Bert Wady (Waterloo City-So. Waterloo) $4.50; S. S.: Greene, $7.80; Aid Soc.: Waterloo City (So. Waterloo) $103.60, ... 234.28
So. Dist., Cong.: Ottumwa, ... 5.00

Kansas—$85.11
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Appanoose, $20.15; Mrs. S. B. Katherman (Lawrence) $2; S. S.: Willing Workers Class (Morrill) $20, ... 42.15
S. E. Dist., Indv.: L. A. Phillips, ... 5.00
S. W. Dist., Cong.: V. E. Whitmer & Wife (E. Wichita) $2.50; L. W. Whitmer & Wife (E. Wichita) $2.50; James Brandt (Pleasant View) $15; S. S.: Larned, $12.96; Aid Soc.: Larned Rural, $5, ... 37.96

Louisiana—$55.20
S. S.: Roanoke, $12.07; Young Peoples' Dept. (Roanoke) $43.13, ... 55.20

Maryland—$140.30
E. Dist., Cong.: Kenneth S. Kinzie (Reistertown) $5; Mary E. Bixler (Meadow Branch) $1; S. S.: Westminster (Meadow Branch) $42.05; Pleasant Hill (Bush Creek) $2.50; Aid Soc.: Edgewood (Pipe Creek) $5; Westminster (Meadow Branch) $12.25; Pipe Creek) $8.75, ... 76.55
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Brownsville, $10.85; A Member (Manor) $40, ... 50.85
W. Dist., Cong.: Bear Creek, $5; C. H. Merrill (Cherry Grove) $7.90, ... 12.90

Michigan—$78.36
Cong.: Beaverton, $21.20; Battle Creek, $1.50; Woodland, $20.88; Rodney, $3.01; Sugar Ridge, $12.78; S. S.: Grand Rapids, $18.99, .. 78.36

Minnesota—$17.14
Cong.: Lewiston, $4.73; Monticello, $6.20; Bethel, $2.51; Indv.: Orin Chapman, $3.70, .. 17.14

Missouri—$8.60
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Warrensburg, $2; Aid Soc.: Warrensburg, $5, ... 7.00
S. W. Dist., Aid Soc.: Mountain Grove, .. 1.60

Montana—$5.00
S. S.: Whitefish, ... 5.00

Nebraska—$45.37
Cong.: Omaha, $21.92; Octavia, $4.30; S. S.: Afton, $5; Lincoln, $4.15; Aid Soc.: Bethel, $10, ... 45.37

New Jersey—$3.00
Indv.: Mrs. Louisa Burns, ... 3.00

New Mexico—$2.00
Indv.: Mary Hornbaker, ... 2.00

North Dakota—$11.00
S. S.: Egeland, $9; Indv.: I. N. S. Gipe, $2, 11.00

Oklahoma—$86.50
Cong.: Big Creek, $10; Washita, $70; Indv.: J. W. Hylton, $1.50; Mrs. V. W. Goodman, $5, ... 86.50

Ohio—$476.60
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Olivet, $15; Canton Center, $9.23; Aid Soc.: E. Chippewa, $20; Akron, $10, ...
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Black Swamp, $49; Aid Soc.: Black Swamp, $4.25; Circle of Service (Fostoria) $28.29, ...
So. Dist., Cong.: Springfield, $10; West Dayton, $8; Ft. McKinley, $1; Lydia Klinger (E. Dayton) $2; Lucinda Ann Hixson (May Hill) $100; S. S.: Lower Miami, $29.90; Castine, $3.06; Happy Corner (Lower Stillwater) $29.78; Aid Soc.: Covington, $10; Prices Creek, $5.38; Cincinnati, $4.45; New Carlisle, $27.26; Indv.: Harris Harman Family, $10; Susie Warner, $100, ...
54.23

Oregon—$28.00
Cong.: Grants Pass, ...
81.54

Pennsylvania—$1,548.41
E. Dist., Cong.: White Oak, $100; W. Green Tree, $158.72; Elizabethtown, $12.03; Chiques, $57.50; Big Swatara, $193.75; Lancaster, $22.81; No. 96935 (Hatfield) $20; Nathan Martin (M. N.) (Midway) $.50; Unknown donor (Elizabethtown) $1; Adaline H. Witter (Myerstown) $4; S. S.: Indian Creek, $26.69; Harrisburg, $41; Union House (Fredericksburg) $6; Fredericksburg, $15; Ephrata, $19.06; E. Petersburg, $10.71; Myerstown, $10; Lansdale (Hatfield) $61; E. Fairview, $19.15; "Gleaners' Class (Akron) $5; Aid Soc.: Hatfield, $25; Indv.: A Sister, $10, ...
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Artemas, $12; Spring Run, $53; A Brother & Sister (Germany Valley-Aughwick) $20; Mrs. Harry Barney (Cherry Lane) $7; Abner B. Dillings (Clover Creek) $2; Mrs. B. M. Sell (1st Altoona) $1; Mary E. Detwiler (Huntingdon) $2; Mary A. Kinsey (Dunnings Creek) $10; S. S.: Curryville (Woodbury) $9.61; Artemas, $5; Bellwood, $9; Guild Girls (Bellwood) $3; Aid Soc.: Spring Run, $25, ...
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Calvary (Phila.) $193.96; Ethel D. Sleighter (Pottstown) $5; Lloyd M. Sleighter (Pottstown) $5; S. S.: Primary Dept. (Calvary-Phila.) $20, ...
So. Dist., Cong.: Lost Creek, $56.03; Chambersburg, $2; No. 96531 (Huntsdale) $5; S. S.: Melrose (Upper Codorus) $21.46; Hanover, $9.72; Good Will (Lost Creek) $10.70; "Truth Seekers" Class, Good Will (Lost Creek) $15; Mechanicsburg, $49.63; Pleasant Hill (Codorus) $3.50; "Willing Workers" Class (Mechanicsburg) $25; Brandts (Back Creek) $3.83; New Fairview, $21.19; Buffalo, $13; Indv.: Virgil B. Bard & Wife, $2, ...
W. Dist., Cong.: Red Bank, $3.63; Connellsville, $7.50; Glade Run, $40; Ligonier, $22; No. 96712 (Montgomery) $6.50; D. P. Hoover (M. N.) (Rummel) $.50; S. S.: Plum Creek, $7.50; Diamondsville (Manor) $1.81; Wilpen (Ligonier) $12; Aid Soc.: Pike (Berlin) $7.42, ...
818.92

South Dakota—$16.00
S. S.: Willow Creek, $11; Aid Soc.: Willow Creek, $5, ...
16.00

Tennessee—$26.98
Cong.: Liberty, $12.05; Limestone, $6; New Hope, $6.93; Aid Soc.: Oneonta, $2, ...
26.98

Virginia—$208.87
E. Dist., Cong.: Midland, $13.15; Cora E. Bealm (Nokesville) $5, ...
No. Dist., Cong.: Cooks Creek, $32.29; Mill Creek, $30; Eld. Daniel Turner (Mountain Grove-Brocks Gap) $10; Salem, $2; S. S., D. V. B. S. & Cong.: Unity, $8.72; Aid Soc.: Dayton (Cooks Greek) $10, ...
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Summit, $15; S. S.: Bridgewater, $12.71; Aid Soc.: Pleasant Valley, $20; Barren Ridge, $5; Summit, $5, ...
So. Dist., Cong.: R. W. Sides & Wife (Fraternity), ...
18.15

West Virginia—$18.94 ..
First Dist., Cong.: Beaver Run, $6.69; Indv.: W. H. Muntzing, $5, ...
Sec. Dist., Indv.: Jesse Judy, $6; Susie Davidson, $1.25, ...
93.01

Wisconsin—$16.00
Cong.: Alfred Lein (Maple Grove) $4; S. S.: Maple Grove, $2; Indv.: J. J. Boyd (Milwaukee) $10, ...
57.71

Total for the month, ... $ 4,669.31
Total previously reported, ... 0.00
40.00

Total for the year, ... $ 4,669.31

STUDENT FELLOWSHIP 1926-27

Illinois—$122.50
No. Dist., Bethany Volunteer Bank, ... $ 122.50
11.69

Total for the month, ... $ 122.50
Total previously reported, ... 0.00
7.25

Total for the year, ... $ 122.50

AID SOCIETY FOREIGN MISSION FUND

Canada—$15.00
Aid Soc.: "The Willing Workers" (Sec. Irricana), ... $ 15.00
Colorado—$5.31
E. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 5.31
Idaho—$5.00
Aid. Soc.: Emmett, ... 5.00
Indiana—$7.50
No. Dist., Aid Soc.: Union Center, ... 7.50
Iowa—$140.00
Mid. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 140.00
Kansas—$54.00
N. W. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 20.00
S. W. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 34.00
Missouri—$25.00
No. Dist., Aid Societies, $10; Rockingham, $15, ... 25.00
Ohio—$7.76
So. Dist., Aid Soc.: Lower Miami, ... 7.76
Oklahoma—$2.50
Cong.: Thomas, ... 2.50
Pennsylvania—$36.00
Mid. Dist., Aid Soc.: Bellwood, ... 16.00
So. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 20.00
Washington—$73.00
Aid Societies, ... 73.00

Total for the month, ... $ 371.07
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ... $ 371.07

HOME MISSIONS

California—$15.00
So. Dist., Cong.: A Sister (San Bernardino) $ 15.00
Pennsylvania—$7.75
W. Dist., Cong.: Mt. Joy, ... 7.75
Virginia—$3.56
No. Dist., Cong.: Powells Fort, ... 3.56

Total for the month, ... $ 26.31
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ... $ 26.31

GREENE COUNTY, VIRGINIA, MISSION

Maryland—$3.00
E. Dist., Cong.: Kenneth S. Kinzic (Reisterstown), ... $ 3.00
Virginia—$10.00
E. Dist., Mission Board, ... 10.00

Total for the month, ... $ 13.00
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ... $ 13.00

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Kansas—$148.69
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Sabetha, $112.59; Ozawkie, $36.10, ... 148.69
Ohio—$89.92
So. Dist., Cong.: Brookville, $21.08; S. S.: Middletown, $5.63; Y. P. D. of Dist., $62.71; Indv.: Mrs. Frances Messmore, $.50, ... 89.92
Pennsylvania—$167.74
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Williamsburg, ... 150.00
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Parker Ford, ... 10.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Mt. Joy, ... 7.74

Sweden—$91.52
Cong.: Vannaberga, $32.07; Olserod, $20.04; Kjavlinge, $5.35; Malmo, $7.88; S. S.: Malmo, $10.15; Aid Soc.: Tingsryd, $16.03, ... 91.52
Virginia—$15.00
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Waynesboro, ... 15.00

Total for the month, ...$ 512.87
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ...$ 512.87

JUNIOR LEAGUE—1926

California—$9.50
No. Dist., S. S.: Junior Dept. (Oakland), $ 3.00
So. Dist., S. S.: E. San Diego, ... 6.50
Colorado—$19.35
W. Dist., S. S.: Primary & Junior Classes (Fruita), ... 19.35
Illinois—$26.06
So. Dist., S. S.: Children (Oakley), ... 26.06
Indiana—$1.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Children (Arcadia), ... 1.00
Iowa—$3.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: "Rose Bud" Class (Panther Creek), ... 3.00
Maryland—$6.00
E. Dist., S. S.: Bethany, ... 6.00
Missouri—$5.00
No. Dist., S. S.: Children (Wakenda), ... 5.00
Ohio—$88.09
N. E. Dist., Junior League: New Philadelphia, ... 11.09
So. Dist., S. S.: Red River (Painter Creek) $32; Primary Dept. (Brookville) $45, ... 77.00
Pennsylvania—$22.70
E. Dist., Shamokin, ... 22.70
Virginia—$39.00
Sec. Dist., S. S.: Two Junior Classes (Middle River) $34; Class of Children Mt. Bethel (Beaver Creek) $5, ... 39.00
Tennessee—$4.00
S. S.: Primary Class (Limestone), ... 4.00
Washington—$5.00
S. S.: Children (Forest Center), ... 5.00
Wisconsin—$6.90
S. S.: Primary & Junior Depts. (Stanley), 6.90

Total for the month, ...$ 235.60
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ...$ 235.60

JUNIOR LEAGUE—1927

North Dakota—$7.00
S. S.: Ellison, ...$ 7.00

Total for the month, ...$ 7.00
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ...$ 7.00

B. Y. P. D. FUND—1927

California—$6.03
No. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Chico, ...$ 6.03
Illinois—$10.00
So. Dist., S. S.: "Stand True & Ready Class" (Woodland), ... 10.00
Iowa—33.20
Mid. Dist., Y. P. D.: Ankeny, ... 33.20
Sweden—$26.72
Y. P. Soc.: Malmo, ... 26.72

Total for the month, ...$ 75.95
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ...$ 75.95

INDIA MISSION

Illinois—$14.28
So. Dist., S. S.: Canton, ...$ 14.28
Indiana—$50.80
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Courter Y. P. Class (Mexico), ... 50.80
Nebraska—$2.50
Cong.: Jasper W. Arnold & Wife (Afton), 2.50
Ohio—$5.00
So. Dist., Aid Soc.: Junior Harris Creek, 5.00
Pennsylvania—$17.00
E. Dist., S. S.: Midway (Anklesvar Training School), ... 17.00
Virginia—$10.00
First Dist., S. S.: Roanoke N. W., ... 10.00

Total for the month, ...$ 99.58
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ...$ 99.58

INDIA BOARDING SCHOOL

Kansas—$10.00
S. W. Dist., S. S.: "Comrades" Class (Larned Rural), ...$ 10.00
Pennsylvania—$26.25
E. Dist., Aid Soc.: West Green Tree, ... 26.25

Total for the month, ...$ 36.25
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ...$ 36.25

INDIA SHARE PLAN

Florida—$25.00
Indv.: Mrs. A. B. Gettel, ...$ 25.00
Maryland—$75.00
E. Dist., Cong.: Scott Y. Garner & Wife (Union Bridge-Pipe Creek) $25; S. S.: "Sunshine Band" Class (Meadow Branch) $25; Berean Bible Class, Blue Ridge College (Pipe Creek) $25, ... 75.00
Michigan—$12.50
S. S.: Sunfield, ... 12.50
Ohio—$62.50
N. W. Dist., S. S.: Junior Boys' Class (Fostoria), ... 25.00
So. Dist., S. S.: "Altruist" Class (E. Dayton) $12.50; "Good Will Circle," College St. (W. Dayton) $25, ... 37.50
Pennsylvania—$27.50
So. Dist., Cong.: B. F. and Ida M. Lightner (Marsh Creek), ... 12.50
W. Dist., Cong.: Moxham, ... 25.00
Texas—$25.00
Cong.: Lillian & Dorothy Hellerman (Ft. Worth), ... 25.00

Total for the month, ...$ 237.50
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ...$ 237.50

QUINTER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Pennsylvania—$30.00
E. Dist., S. S.: "Gleaners" Class (Ephrata) $ 30.00

Total for the month, ...$ 30.00
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the month, ...$ 30.00

McCANN MEMORIAL CHURCH BUILDING

Iowa—$23.80
No. Dist., S. S.: Sheldon, ...$ 23.80

Total for the month, ...$ 23.80
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ...$ 23.80

INDIA HOSPITALS

Ohio—$50.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Primary Dept., Happy Corner (Lower Stillwater), ...$ 50.00

Total for the month, ...$ 50.00
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ...$ 50.00

VYARA CHURCH BUILDING, INDIA

Illinois—$100.00
No. Dist., Cong.: A Brother & Sister (1st Chicago), ... 100.00

Total for the month, ...$ 100.00
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ... $ 100.00

CHINA MISSION

California—$16.77
So. Dist., Cong.: Pasadena, ... $ 16.77
Illinois—$71.47
No. Dist., Cong.: Elgin, ... 71.47
Indiana—$2.47
So. Dist., S. S.: Middletown, ... 2.47
Maryland—$2.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Cora Shaffer (Pine Grove), 2.00
Nebraska—$2.50
Cong.: Jasper W. Arnold & Wife (Afton), 2.50
North Dakota—$10.00
Indv.: Mary A. Martz, ... 10.00
Pennsylvania—$91.00
E. Dist., Cong.: Springville (evangelism), 91.00

Total for the month, ... $ 196.21
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ... $ 196.21

CHINA SHARE PLAN

California—$18.75
No. Dist., S. S.: "Truth Seekers" Class (McFarland), ... $ 6.25
So. Dist., S. S.: "Friendship Bible Class" (Pasadena), ... 12.50
Illinois—$25.00
So. Dist., S. S.: "Stand True & Ready Class" (Woodland), ... 25.00
Indiana—$25.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Pleasant Dale, ... 25.00
Maryland—$150.00
E. Dist., S. S.: Union Bridge (Pipe Creek) $25; "Builder's Class" (Bethany) $75, ... 100.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: "Altruistic Bible Class" (Hagerstown), ... 50.00
Ohio—$12.50
N. E. Dist., S. S.: 'Young People's Bible Class" (E. Chippewa), ... 12.50
Pennsylvania—$25.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Moxham, ... 25.00
Texas—$25.00
Cong.: Lillian & Dorothy Hellerman (Ft. Worth), ... 25.00

Total for the month, ... $ 281.25
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ... $ 281.25

AFRICA MISSION

California—$82.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Hermosa Beach (hospital beds), ... $ 82.00
Idaho—$2.25
Cong.: Clearwater, ... 2.25
Illinois—$53.11
So. Dist., Cong.: Woodland, $5.56; Astoria, $30.55; Indv.: E. R. Bryant, $17, ... 53.11
Indiana—$2.50
So. Dist., Cong.: D. T. Bailiff (Nobleswille), ... 2.50
Minnesota—$5.00
Cong.: Lizzie E. Ogg (Root River), ... 5.00
Ohio—$21.20
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Eld. Abednego Miller (Logan), ... 2.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Harris Creek, ... 19.20
Pennsylvania—$45.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: No. 96857 (1st Philadelphia), ... 40.00
W. Dist., S. S.: Greenville (Rockton), ... 5.00

Total for the month, ... $ 211.06
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ... $ 211.06

AFRICA SHARE PLAN

California—$25.00
So. Dist., S. S.: San Bernardino, ... $ 25.00
Kansas—$75.00
N. E. Dist., S. S.: "Willing Workers" Class (Morrill), ... 75.00
Illinois—$25.00
No. Dist., S. S.: Ladies' Division of Mustard Seed Class (Milledgeville), ... 25.00
Washington—$16.70
S. S.: Forest Center, ... 16.70

Total for the month, ... $ 141.70
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ... $ 141.70

MINISTERIAL AND MISSIONARY RELIEF

Colorado—$15.00
E. Dist., S. S.: McClave, ... $ 15.00

Total for the month, ... $ 15.00
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ... $ 15.00

NEAR EAST RELIEF

Maryland—$43.82
E. Dist., Cong.: Meadow Branch, ... $ 43.82
Pennsylvania—$5.00
E. Dist., S. S.: "Character Builders' Class" (Midway), ... 5.00

Total for the month, ... $ 48.82
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ... $ 48.82

CONFERENCE BUDGET

California—$12.39
No. Dist., Cong.: Empire, $10; S. S.: Patterson, $2.39, ... $ 12.39
Illinois—$2.65
No. Dist., Cong.: Lanark, ... 2.65
Indiana—$79.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Ft. Wayne, $39; New Paris, $40, ... 79.00
Iowa—$50.00
No. Dist., Cong.: So. Waterloo, ... 50.00
Kansas—$85.53
S. W. Dist., Cong.: McPherson, ... 85.53
Nebraska—$19.00
Cong.: Omaha, ... 19.00
Ohio—$84.77
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Woodworth, ... 32.36
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Marion, ... 52.41
Pennsylvania—$44.74
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Fairview, $9.59; Mary A. Kinsey (Dunnings Creek) $10; S. S.: Yellow Creek, $17.05; Women's Missy. Soc.: First Altoona, $3, ... 39.64
So. Dist., Cong.: Back Creek, ... 5.10
Virginia—$5.96
First Dist., Cong.: Antioch, ... 5.96

Total for the month, ... $ 384.04
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

$ 384.04
Correction No. 1, ... 23.55
Correction No. 2, ... 210.00

Total for the year, ... $ 150.49

MARCH WORLD SERVICE 1927-1928

California—$100.00
No. Dist., Cong.: S. L. Burger & Wife (Empire), ... $ 100.00
Canada—$100.00
Cong.: Geo. E. Long (Sec. Irricana) 100.00
Iowa—$100.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Catherine Bluebaugh (Cedar Rapids), ... 100.00
Ohio—$100.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Ira M. Petersime (Oakland), ... 100.00
Pennsylvania—$245.00
E. Dist., Cong.: J. M. Miller (Lititz), ... 20.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: C. C. Ellis (Huntingdon), 25.00

S. E. Dist., Cong.: J. Omar Good (1st Philadelphia), ... 100.00
So. Dist., Cong.: D. G. H. Lesher (Waynesboro), ... 100.00

Tennessee—$140.00
Cong.: Samuel H. Garst (Pleasant Hill) $20; John W. Swadley (Bailey Grove) $100; Mrs. C. C. Shanks (Cedar Grove) $10; Nan Molsbee (Cedar Grove) $10, ... 140.00

Virginia—$50.00
No. Dist., Cong.: A Brother (Unity), ... 50.00

Total for the month, ...$ 835.00
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ...$ 835.00

MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

California—$775.00
So. Dist., Long Beach S. S. $300 for Lucile G. Heckman; La Verne Cong. $25 for E. D. Vaniman & Wife and L. A. Blickenstaff & wife; Sunday Schools for Clarence C. Heckman, $450, ...$ 775.00

Canada—$550.00
No. 96648 (Irricana) for I. E. Oberholtzer, 550.00

Illinois—$121.96
No. Dist., Mt. Morris S. S. for Sadie J. Miller, ... 92.26
So. Dist., Oakley Cong. for Ida Buckingham, ... 29.70

Indiana—$525.50
No. Dist., Sunday Schools for Mary Schaeffer and Marguerite Burke Budget, ... 419.42
So. Dist., Locust Grove S. S. (Nettle Creek) for Ina M. Kaylor, ... 106.08

Iowa—$100.00
Mid. Dist., J. K. Miller (Cedar Rapids) for Emma Horning, ... 100.00

Kansas—$23.72
S. W. Dist., Congs. for F. H. Crumpacker, 23.72

Missouri—$83.00
Mid. Dist., Cong. for Jennie Mohler, ... 83.00

Ohio—$910.81
N. E. Dist., Olivet S. S. $117.57 for A. D. Helser; Freeburg S. S. $550 for Sue R. Heisey, ... 667.57
N. W. Dist., Sunday Schools $219.74 for Hattie Z. Alley; Fostoria S. S. for Hattie Z. Alley, $23.50, ... 243.24

Pennsylvania—$1,073.06
E. Dist., Salunga S. S. (E. Petersburg) $500 for Baxter M. Mow; Peach Blossom Cong. $160 for Anna M. Hutchinson, ... 660.00
Mid. Dist., Everett Cong. $135 for Dr. Carl Coffman; Albright Cong. & S. S. $20 for Olivia D. Ikenberry, ... 155.00
W. Dist., Quemahoning Cong. $58.06 for Esther Beahm; Young People's Council $200 for Marguerite Burke, ... 258.06

Tennessee—$84.08
Congs. for Anna B. Seese, ... 84.08

Virginia—$237.06
Sec. Dist., Middle River Cong. $100 for B. M. Flory; Elk Run Cong. $121.90 for Sarah Z. Myers; Bridgewater Cong. for Ella Flohr, $10.64, ... 232.54
So. Dist., Pleasant Valley S. S. for Rebecca C. Wampler, ... 4.52

Washington—$103.49
Wenatchee Valley Cong. for Ada Hollenberg, ... 103.49

Total for the month, ...$ 4,587.68
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ...$ 4,587.68

INDIA NOTES

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charge of the college has her degree from Columbia, in America. She loves America and tries hard to carry our modern methods of teaching in her school. It was most interesting to attend the Hindu prayers at the beginning of the session. About eighty college girls sat on a large rug listening to the reading from the Bhagavad Gita. Comments made by the leader on the subject of "heaven" sounded very much like statements I have heard made by Christian ministers.

Congratulations are in order, for Harlan J. Brooks has passed his first-year Gujarati language examination with very good grades.

On March 2 a very pretty double wedding was performed in the Girls' School chapel. Panibai and Manibai are both schoolgirls and the men are from the Boys' Boarding Schools. Bhorlidas and Manibai now live in a village and teach in the school. (See picture on page 178.)

From March 2 to 11 all missionaries were away from the station, attending the Mission Conference at Bulsar, but the work continued, and teachers and workers went ahead with their tasks with a fine spirit.

The winter months have been busy ones. The evangelistic groups have been out in the villages proclaiming salvation. Only the Lord of the harvest knows the extent of this seed sowing. During the past week, Brother and Sister Blough have been out in the tent. Although the middle of the day is so hot it is a punishment to be outside, they have been out in the heat, because they felt they must not let the village of Agaswan pass by without the gospel message.

Not in the twenty-two years of Vyara's history has she had so many American visitors as came during the last two months. Rev. and Mrs. D. O. Cottrell, Brethren Bonsack and Yoder, Dr. and Mrs. Coffman and Mary, Rev. and Mrs. Smucker and family of the Mennonite Mission, and Brother and Sister Shull and family, just before sailing on furlough, came to make us a short visit. We have appreciated their interest and are very thankful for the inspiration they gave us.

The new school year has just begun and new children are coming into our two schools. Eleven new girls have come. More boys have come to the Boys' School than can be kept, and so they are being turned away. This is a hard task for the missionary to do.

On April 11 Vyara will hold her next love feast. There will be baptism on that day also. Since our last station love feast, fifty-nine applicants have been baptized.

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AMERICA

Church of the Brethren Industrial School, Geer, Va.

Bollinger, Amsey and Florence, 1922
Early, H. C., and Emma, 1925
Finckh, Elsie, 1925
Hersch, Orville and Mabel, 1925
Kline, Alvin, 1926
Wampler, Nelie, 1922

In Pastoral Service

Bowman, Price and Elsie, Bassett, Va., 1925
Fahnestock, Rev. and Mrs. S. G., 1059 Michigan Ave., Portland, Ore., 1927
Garber, Glenn, Essex, Mo., 1925
Haney, R. A. and Irva, Merrill, Md., 1925
Horner, W. J. and Hazel, 3122 Ellis Ave., Fort Worth, Texas
Scrogum, Arthur and Marie, Accident, Md., 1926
Showalter, R. K. and Florence, Rose Pine, La., 1926
White, Ralph and Matie, 1206 E. Holston Ave., Johnson City, Tenn., 1923

SWEDEN

Spanhusvagen 38, Malmö, Sweden

Graybill, J. F., and Alice, 1911
Buckingham, Ida, 1913

CHINA

Ping Ting Hsien, Shansi, China

Baker, Elizabeth, 1922
Brubaker, L. S., and Marie, 1924
Coffman, Dr. Carl, 1921, and Lulu, 1919
Flory, Edna R., 1917
Hollenberg, John, 1926, and Ada D., 1922
Metzger, Minerva, 1910
Seese, Norman A., and Anna, 1917
Schaeffer, Mary, 1917

Liao Chou, Shansi, China

Flory, Raymond, and Lizzie, 1914
Horning, Emma, 1908
Oberholtzer, I. E., and Eliz., 1916
Pollock, Myrtle, 1917
Senger, Nettie M., 1916
Shock, Laura J., 1916

Shou Yang, Shansi, China

Flory, Byron M., and Nora, 1917
Heisey, Walter J., and Sue, 1917
Neher, Minneva J., 1924

Tai Yuan, care of Y. M. C. A., Shansi, China

Ikenberry, E. L., and Olivia, 1922

Peking, China, Yen Ching, School of Chinese Studies, 5 Tung Ssu, Tao Tiao

Ulery, Ruth F., 1926

On Furlough

Bright, J. Homer and Minnie, 1208 No. Wayne St., North Manchester, Ind., 1911
Clapper, V. Grace, Johnstown, Pa., R. 5, 1917
Cline, Mary E., 900 Franklin, Roaring Spring, Pa., 1920
Crumpacker, F. H., and Anna, Elgin, Ill., 1908
Horning, Dr. D. L., and Martha, 1136 Mich. Ave., Topeka, Kans., 1919
Hutchison, Anna, Easton, Md., 1911
Myers, Minor M., and Sara, Bridgewater, Va., 1919
Smith, W. Harlan and Frances, Grundy Center, Ia., 1920
Sollenberger, O. C., and Hazel, c|o J. W. Coppock, Tippecanoe City, Ohio, 1919
Vaniman, Ernest D., and Susie, La Verne, Calif., 1913
Wampler, Dr. Fred J., and Rebecca, Accomac, Va., 1913

AFRICA

Garkidda, Nigeria, West Africa, via Jos and Numan

Beahm, Wm. M., and Esther, 1924
Flohr, Earl W., and Ella, 1926
Gibbel, Dr. J. Paul, and Verda, 1926
Harper, Clara, 1926
Heckman, Clarence C., and Lucile, 1924
Helser, Albert D., 1922, and Lola, 1923
*Kulp, H. Stover, 1922, and Christina, 1927
‡Mallott, Floyd, 1924
*At Dille. ‡At Gardemna.
Shisler, Sara, 1926

On Furlough

Burke, Dr. Homer L., and Marguerite, 509 So. Honore St., Chicago, Ill., 1923
Mallott, Ruth B., 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, 1924

INDIA

Ahwa, Dangs, India

Garner, H. P., and Kathryn, 1916

Anklesvar, Broach Dist., India

Grisso, Lillian, 1917
Long, I. S., and Effie, 1903
Moomaw, I. W., and Mabel, 1923
Shickel, Elsie, 1921
Woods, Beulah, 1924

Bulsar, Surat Dist., India

Blickenstaff, Lynn A., and Mary, 1920
Cottrell, Dr. A. R., and Laura, 1913
Mohler, Jennie, 1916
Roop, Ethel, 1926
Shumaker, Ida C., 1910

Dahanu Road, Thana Dist., India

Ebbert, Ella, 1917
Metzger, Dr. Ida, 1925
Nickey, Dr. Barbara M., 1915
Royer, B. Mary, 1913
Wolf, L. Mae, 1922

Jalalpor, Surat Dist., India

Miller, Eliza B., 1900
Mow, Baxter M., and Anna, 1923

Vada, Thana Dist., India

Kaylor, John I., 1911 and Ina, 1921
Swartz, Goldie E., 1916

Palghar, Thana Dist., India

Alley, Howard L., and Hattie, 1917

Post Umalla, via Anklesvar, India

Lichty, D. J., 1902, and Anna, 1912
Widdowson, Olive, 1912
Ziegler, Kathryn, 1908

Vyara, via Surat Dist., India

Blough, J. M., and Anna, 1903
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The Faith of Chinese Christians

STANLEY HIGH

WHEN the final record is written no modern period of Christian history will be more inspiring than this present period in China. The loyalty of the Chinese Christians to the faith they have owned—their loyalty during these times of the Nationalist movement—takes one back to first century Christianity for a parallel. I can set down only a few incidents in that story:

In West China, according to Mr. Lewis Havermale, "the preachers have organized themselves into a 'Flying Spuadron' whereby they can report immediately at any point where the pastor is becoming overwhelmed by anti-Christian propaganda—by means of interviews, public meetings, and tracts or posters, encouraging Christians and effecting reconcilations. They have taxed themselves to provide for the budget. They have, by written contract, bound themselves to provide funeral expenses for any who may be

slain by fanatics, and to provide for their widows and orphans."

At a recent meeting in Chungking, when salary cuts were imminent, many said, "If we were in the employ of some other institution, the postoffice for example, we would now call a strike. We have talked the matter over. We have decided not to strike. The job of preaching the Gospel is not that of the missionaries but of us Chinese Christians. We will therefore return to our tasks even though we scarcely have enough on which to live. We will do our utmost, God helping us."

"I Am a Christian"

In Hankow I spent a long evening with Bishop Logan H. Roots, of the Protestant Episcopal Church. He told many incidents of the devotion of the Christians. Here are two:

A pastor in a city near Hankow was taken by the Reds, bound, beaten and carried in disgrace through the streets of the city. He was placed upon a platform before a jeering crowd.

"If you will renounce this Jesus," said the tormentors, "we will let you go."

"I am a Christian," said the pastor. "You may kill me, but until death I cannot cease to preach. And if I am killed my spirit will remain in this place as a witness to my Lord."

In the face of such courage and such a testimony he was released.

Two other pastors of Bishop Roots' diocese were imprisoned, after having been badly beaten. Release, they were told, would come when they renounced their faith. It happened that the day on which they were imprisoned was, in the Episcopal Church calendar, sacred to the memory of St. Stephen. So the two Chinese pastors stood up in the midst of their fellow-prisoners, and preached the story of Stephen.

"We need men like Stephen in China," said the prisoners, and together the whole company knelt and prayed that God would send more Stephens to the aid of China.

"This is a day of spiritual rebirth in China," said Bishop Roots.

"Devotion of Nanking Christians"

Most striking of all these examples of Christian devotion come from Nanking. During the entire day of terrors, when escape for the missionaries seemed unlikely, little groups of Chinese boys and girls and preachers and laymen—between frantic efforts to save their foreign friends—slipped into hiding places and held impromptu prayer meetings for the safety of the missionaries.

"It was a day of tragedy," one missionary told me, "but also a day of prayer."

With little question few of the missionaries could have escaped but for the sacrifices of the Chinese Christians—who have been forced to remain to pay the price for their devotion. When the soldiers came to kill Miss Lulu Golisch, the girls of her school made a circle, three deep about her, knelt down in prayer and then told the soldiers: "If you kill her you must first kill us." The dean of this school, all day, remained at his post suffering the abuse of the soldiers. He refused to leave even when his own home (he is a Chinese) was looted and his wife and children driven away.

"Until this tragedy," said Miss Golisch, "we never knew how deeply Christianity had taken hold upon the lives of our Christian believers."

"College Girls at Prayer"

One of the pastors at Nanking took his accumulated savings in order to buy soap, towels, toothbrushes, etc., for the missionaries in hiding near his home. When they left he gave to each a bar of chocolate, "in case you are delayed." The Ginling college girls were dispersed, but organized little groups and spent the day, in the backs of shops or hidden in the cemeteries, in continual prayer. When Dr. Price, an aged missionary, was told he must pay several hundred or forfeit his life, it was a group of Chinese Christians who banded together and raised the sum, an almost impossible one for Chinese.

Dr. H. F. Rowe, head of the Theological School, was beaten and dragged through the streets of the city. When I saw him he was still wearing Chinese clothes, provided by his Christian rescuers. Said he:

"It was worth the price of admission. Now we know, as never before, the reality of the faith which our Chinese Christians have professed."

What Happened at Ahwa

A Report in Dialogue Form of the Ahwa Mission Station in India

MARY S. SHULL

ON the evening of Dec. 29, 1926, the "fatted" goat was killed for the Ahwa boarding, because most of the boys who had gone out from the school within the last two years had come home to spend Christmas and to attend the District Meeting. At the close of this home-coming banquet speeches were made. We will hear the report of the Ahwa station for 1926 from them.

Chairman (head master of the school): **Ravji:** Within the past two years twelve masters here, will tell us what we want to know about the Ahwa school.

Ravji: Within the past two years twelve large boys have gone out from the school. Of this number two are teaching in the village schools and one in Ahwa (laughter); two have gone to Palghar to school; one is working for a government official and getting a much higher wage than if he were illiterate; and two are taking the second-year course in the Government Technical School. Also from the school have gone five large girls, most of whom have been married—to some of us. Four smaller girls have gone to Dahanu to school. But others have come to take the place of those who have gone. There are now eleven children in school from non-Christian homes in Ahwa. At the inspection February, 1926, ninety-one sat for examination and there were sixty-five passes. This year the average enrollment was ninety-two and the average attendance seventy-eight.

Besides our chapel exercises each master has had a daily class in religious instruction, and during the rains Brother and Sister Shull each taught a class. Bro. Shull also conducted a weekly teachers' meeting and gave us many helpful suggestions for our work.

Two of our masters are conducting night schools. The total enrollment was thirty-six and average attendance twenty-two.

The aid from government for this year for the day and night schools was rupees 774.

(Chairman Ravji was too modest to say that he served as secretary for the Sunday-school this year and his wife as a teacher in the primary department.)

I see Kasu wants to speak now. He will tell about the royal family.

Kasu: Ravji forgot to tell about the village children who came into Ahwa school this year. From my village, Linga, my cousin, the king's son and three other boys have come. The king is now building a house here in Ahwa for his son. A boy from another village near Linga also is here.



Four Generations of Christians at Ahwa

Chairman: Kala will tell us about his village.

Kala: Kasu is boasting about his king's son coming to school, but the king **himself,** from my village of Vasurna, is here. There are eleven of us from there.

Chairman: Anand will give us a report of the Technical School. He is assistant teacher now and spends part time in the third year course.

Anand: The examination of the Technical School students was conducted by the assistant political agent at Durbar in April. I passed the second-year course and four passed the first-year course. This year we have seven schoolboys spending part time and three full time. The school is now considered to be beyond the experimental stage, and the latest development is a 500 rupee grant from the government for a blacksmith shop and an equal appropriation for equipment. Heretofore it has been necessary to go twenty or thirty miles for cart repairs. When some of you learn iron working this will be avoided.

Some building work was done here this year. An inn was built and a house for the head master.

Chairman: Pandu was just married on Sunday, but I think he will be able to give us a report of the village schools, since he is one of the teachers.

Pandu: During the present year two village schools have been closed because of small attendance. However, one new one was opened. The number of schools now running is six, with eight masters and one lady teacher. The total enrollment was 112 and average daily attendance eighty-two. There are three night schools, with a total enrollment of forty-nine and average attendance of forty-one. Government grant for village schools was rupees 322. One of the leading masters has been made supervisor of the village schools. I think Kasheram should tell a little more about the school at Mahalunga.

Kasheram: We have four standards, with thirty-two day pupils and twenty-four attending night school. I went there in June, but was not there long until Vinayak Master left for medical treatment at Dahanu. He never recovered, so Bro. Shull released a master from the boarding-school to come out. The people are a thrifty class and eager to send their children. I feel this is an open field.

Chairman: Soma was with Bro. Garner in the district during the touring season, and will tell us about the evangelistic work.

Soma: During January and February we spent twenty-six days in the district and camped at five different villages. From these as centers we reached smaller villages. We also visited one village where we have some Christians working in a sawmill, and another where some Ahwa Christians are hauling logs from the jungle. The phonograph helped to gather the people, and then we showed pictures and told Bible stories. We had three sets of lantern slides, Life of Christ, The Prodigal Son, and Hampton Institute. Bro. Garner camped ten days this month [December], making a total of thirty-six days in camp during the three months of the touring season. Trips of inspection were made to the village schools at other times, also.

In February we had a special evangelistic campaign of ten days. Teachers, pupils, and other workers were divided into three groups and sent in different directions. At the close we had a meeting to give reports. A good reception was accorded everywhere, and there were a couple of requests for village schools. But we had no teachers to send.

One day, while out in the villages, word came from another side of the Dangs that one of the master's wives was very ill. Bro. Garner took the auto and brought the woman to Ahwa by noon. Two days would have been required to make this trip by oxcart.

Chairman: Devazu will tell us some more about the medical work.

Devazu: A general epidemic of influenza raged during the month of March, and the work fell heavily on the missionaries, especially since there was only one family here then. Toward the last the government took up the matter in earnest, and for a few days took medicine from house to house in Ahwa and gave to the patels of the various villages for distribution. In April there was a change in the staff of government doctors, and we are grateful for the interest the two present doctors take in their work and in the people. When the government doctors have a spirit of service,

and the people have confidence in them, it relieves the missionary. During the year there were five deaths in the Christian community, all of them mothers. But excepting the weeks of influenza the general health of the community was good throughout the year. There has been a marked decrease in skin diseases.

Chairman: Since I was church clerk I will state a few facts about our church. There are now 166 on the church roll. The total contribution for the year was 238 rupees, nine annas and three p'es.

One of the important events of the year was a trip to the District Meeting at Palghar in January. Following this, by the kindness of the assistant political agent, it was possible for fifteen of our larger children to see Bombay. In February following the evangelistic campaign we baptized three village people and eleven from Ahwa. We then held our love feast, when 150 communed.

During monsoon we had a cradle roll day, when nineteen names were added. The mothers appreciated the thanksgiving and prayer service for the little babes who had come to their homes. At the Divali season we had a good thanksgiving service. School was closed and a general holiday was declared. The crops this year were good, and a happy people gave thanks to God in a fitting way. One man brought a calf, another a kid, and several offered chickens; others brought grain, vegetables and money, so that the total offering was more than sixty rupees.

We have just now enjoyed a very happy Christmas, and at the close of the year give thanks again to our Heavenly Father for his care and blessings. We are especially happy to see you boys from the Dangs beginning to have a share in the work. Perhaps others who have been listening to these reports will give some next year; we are eager for the time when all of the work of the Dangs will be carried on by her own sons. And now let us repeat three times our slogan, "Victory to Christ in Maharashtra."

"There are commonly three stages in work for God," Hudson Taylor would sometimes say: "first impossible, then difficult, then done."

INDIA NOTES

Anna Mow

Jalapor

In a few days a large part of our mission family, together with the deputation, will leave us to come to you. We scarcely know what the deputation, Brethren Bonsack and Yoder, will tell you about us, but we have only nice things to say about them. They visited us on Jan. 27 and Feb. 28. On the first date they observed the Girls' School in session. On the latter the village school-teachers of our district came in, along with a number of other Christians, and some thirty candidates for baptism. We had just baptized fourteen others near their village homes. The forenoon was occupied with council meeting, presided over by Nathalal Mida, one of our new Indian elders, who has a talent for organization and dispatch. One of the most interesting parts of the meeting was the assembling of the annual offering, about two-thirds of which goes by way of District Meeting toward the support of the indigenous mission point at Rudha. The amount of the offering averaged near a dollar per member, and given joyfully too, despite the general poverty. Unknown to Miss Eliza, the headmaster had taken up among the boarding-girls an extra offering, which amounted to over thirteen rupees.

At two o'clock Brethren Bonsack and Yoder gave us some of the good things out of their hearts. And their messages seemed not a bit "warmed over" by Miss Eliza's interpreting into Gujarati. The applicants were duly instructed. One of these was an old woman, the first to become Christian among the fisher folk of Bhat. Her son accepted Christ about three years ago and bore faithful witness, and is now a teacher in the mission school there. A mysterious vision helped the father to decide; then two brothers came, and lastly the mother—so the family is very happy. Thus the kingdom grows. The elder administered the baptisms expeditiously in a tank by the well.

Later on we assembled again for the communion service. About 120 communed, with great quiet, and blessing to every one. Sister Lulu Coffman, en route to China, and Nurse Mohler also were with us. Thence they and the deputation returned to Bulsar.

Feb. 24 was a big day for the Jains of Jalalpor, for they burned the corpse of Vijaya Kamal Suriya, the mahant or pope of their religion. From childhood he had been a sadhu or ascetic, living a simple life with a vengeance. He never rode in trains or even oxcarts, but walked hither and thither, giving instruction. And he happened to be here when death overtook him. So this becomes a holy place. A shrine will be built over his ashes, and people come to worship. The spot selected for the cremation is only a few steps distant from our compound. Hundreds of Jains came in on trains. And hundreds of rupees were spent in ceremonies, in grain distribution to beggars, and coins scattered. Some time afterward we saw people still hunting about in the dust, for coin.

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The Curses of Opium vs. the Blessings of Christ

NETTIE MABELLE SENGER

YOU often get in writings a word picture of the schoolgirl and her daily life in the mission boarding-school. I want to open another door and give you a look at the circumstances of one dear Liao Chou schoolgirl, as she was in her home before she came to the mission school. Her parents were rich people, with both lands and houses. She was the second of three girls. Her mother, as she worked about the home, was a cheerful, contented mother, happy in her children. It was to such a home I went when I first met the little girl. I was invited to a meal, and this little girl hurried about helping her mother do the things that a child of her age could do.

After a long absence I again went to their city and made a number of short visits, and again ate with them. We had pleasant chats many days. One day I noticed that her lovely cupboards and chests, such as the Chinese prize very highly, were gone. I remarked about it with surprise, and asked where she had removed them. As soon as I mentioned the missing cupboards and chests her expression became very sad and a tear dropped from her eye. I said no more, for I knew the whole story. I read it in the dropping tear and I wanted to weep with her. The sad tale may be told in the one awful word, "opium." Her husband had followed the example of most of the men in that district and spent his money for opium.

After another absence of more than a year I again visited their city. It was the famine year, and I had come to give grain to the needy. As I stayed in the girls' schoolcourt I naturally saw this little girl who, with her elder sister, had attended school for several years. I asked her one day about her mother, and with a sad little face she said her mother was dead. On questioning friends I learned that the little girl's father had spent more and more money for opium until houses and lands had all gone. Next, grain and household furnishings had one by one all gone. During this time a little brother had come into the home. With the care of a fourth child, and little food, the mother lessened in strength as the days came and went. It was thus that the famine found this home. By spring the mother left her baby boy and three girls to the care of an opium fiend. She had starved to death. The eldest girl, a child of thirteen, was sold for a bride into an opium-eating home, and was soon married. The second girl was sold to a Christian man to become the wife of his little boy when both were grown up. The third, a tiny child of six birthdays, was sold for a bride to the son of an opium user. All this money went for opium. The baby boy was kept, and the father carried him about to call out people's sympathies as he begged, and all the money he thus got went for opium. The only food the child got was from his eldest sister, who was married into the opium-using home. Before I learned this sad tale the father came to me begging, and out of pity for the child (for all hearts are alike and will pity a child) I gave him ten cents, only to regret it, for it helped him to have ten cents' worth more of opium.

The second little girl, sold into the Christian home, had a much better home than before. She, with the Christian man's daughter, was sent on to school and finally came to Liao girls' boarding-school, where she is still attending and next spring will graduate from higher primary. The doctrine of the love of Jesus has meant very life to this dear little girl, born of rich parents. It saved her from the curse opium had put her under and brought her into the blessings Jesus came to give all the children here.

The curse of opium goes where it wills and destroys homes and hearths. It enters both the Christian and non-Christian home. We have shown how it ravaged a non-Christian rich home. Now we will swing open another door and you will see with sad hearts how it ravaged a Christian home. This home was blessed with Christian parents, both having done evangelistic work. To them came the blessings of God when two sons were born. They were educated and learned a great deal of Christ. But somehow Satan with his cunning devices gripped the second son in the clutches of alcohol and opium. He was early married to a beautiful maiden of unusual ability from a non-Christian home. She became a Christian through

the guidance of her parents-in-law. She saw her husband lose out in business, and saw the homestead go piece by piece to cover his indebtedness as he endeavored to satisfy himself with his opium.

When the last little girl was born to them the mother was with me in evangelistic activities, and the father had fled under cover of darkness from his accusers. The tiny baby seemed to have been born to a life of misery and suffering, with no way of escape. The mother begged me to take her. I could not, for I believe a mother should keep her child while she lives, but I did everything I could to make her burden lighter. Baby, mother and I all went out in the evangelistic field until the father returned and forced them away with him. The mother trained her baby as I had taught her, and I continued helping her through correspondence. After four years of a hard life with her husband, who never left his opium, she became ill. Worry and care because of her ruined husband caused her illness. Her last words were for her baby, to be cared for and brought to me. She came, and is now happy learning of Jesus and getting all the training that comes in a Christian home. She has also the pleasant memory of a loving mother who, even in death, wanted to provide for her baby in order that she would not be left with an opium-cursed father and all the ills that accompany such a life. She wanted her baby to know and love the Jesus she had learned to love and depend upon. Christ, by coming to Liao, has saved another little girl and brought her into the joys he brings all children who love him. One day she looked up at me with a sad little face and said, "If Jesus loves me, why does he not let my mother come back; I want her." How should I answer a tiny child of five when asked such a question? The boys and girls of America are helping such blessings as Jesus gives to come into the lives of many children here. Just keep the good work going and remember, prayer means more than money.

INDIA NOTES

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Because we were interested sufficiently to watch the burning and photograph it, we were invited to call on the new chief and disciples in their study room by the temple. And we surely had an interesting visit. They asked among many other things who our chief is, and we told them "Jesus Christ." Our Miss Sahibs are always asked about their "masters," thence why they are not wedded. Miss Eliza explained that it was for the Master's sake. And they commended her warmly—quite different from most Indians, who consider the single state very anomalous and vain. One man said, "This is a very happy day for us, that you have shown us this love."

Bro. Mow spent most of the time of the "winter" touring the district with native evangelist and stereopticon. Now he is freer to turn to Mohammedan work. We are hoping soon to open a Christian reading room in the Navsari bazaar. Nearly every day I teach English to a 15-year-old Mohammedan girl of high family. In our books we have just come to the stories of Jesus, and I am hoping she may have as much interest in them as in those of the love and care of God. Every morning she must rise at five and study the Koran and recite prayers in Arabic for two hours before breakfast—and do a lot of study during the day, too. But she is happy, nevertheless. She must read and speak Gujarati and also Urdu. But just now is their fasting month, in which they neither eat nor drink all day, from dawn till dark. How would you U. S. girls like this regimen of Mehri, the Moslem girl? Pray for us as we work to bring the light to these people.

AFRICA MEDICAL STATISTICS

I have gathered the medical statistics for 1926 as best I could:

Physicians	1
Nurses	1
Trained assistants	1
Hospitals	1
Beds in foregoing	2
Dispensaries	1
Operations	14
Total individual patients	244

This finds us all well and busy as bees.

Very sincerely,

William M. Beahm,

Secretary.

A Scotsman stood on the Cotswold Hills, his boy with him, and he said: "Look to the north, and you have the Highlands stretching out; look to the east, and you have the North Sea spreading out; look to the west, and you have the Irish Sea and the Atlantic stretching out; look to the south, and you have England and its mighty population. God's power and love," he said to the lad, "are like that." "Then," said the boy in ever-memorable words, "then, father, we are in the middle of it all."

The Workers' Corner

The editor invites helpful contributions for this department of the Visitor

Missionary Teaching Program

Proposed for Local Sunday Schools in First and Southern Districts of Virginia

HOW adequately to teach missions and Christian giving is a problem that puzzles every Sunday-school in our Brotherhood. By special request from many workers a simple but practical plan has been worked out for our smaller schools. It can be easily expanded to meet the needs of those who plan greater efforts.

1. Set aside at least one Sunday of each month as missionary Sunday.
2. Prepare a special Missionary Worship Program for the Sunday-school.
3. Arrange so that each class in the Sunday-school will give the offering for that Sunday to a definite missionary purpose. The children, including the juniors, should give to their special project in Africa; the young people to their Africa building project and the adults to general missions.
4. Each teacher should stress the purpose of the offering on each Missionary Sunday and should emphasize some phase of stewardship and tithing in connection with the offering.
5. At the close of the Sunday-school have a two-minute missionary talk by a member of the Missionary Committee or some other capable person. These talks should be full of missionary interest and enthusiasm.
6. Distribute such missionary literature as you may be able to get from H. Spenser Minnich, Elgin, Ill. Write him.
7. Follow with a prayerful missionary sermon. Every sermon should be missionary. At least one a month is imperative.
8. Announce these monthly missionary Sundays the preceding Sunday, and ask every member to pray for the success of the coming program.
9. Plan these twelve programs well ahead, so that during the year a complete teaching program may be executed in the interest of missions and Christian giving.
10. See that all offerings for Missionary Sunday are kept separate on your records so that they may be used as intended.
11. Once each quarter have a report of these various offerings by your Missionary Committee, so that all may know just what is being done by each group.
12. Remit these offerings each quarter to your District mission treasurer. Designate what each offering is for.

Note.—Some Sunday-schools give all of the offerings by the children and young people to missions. In other cases the church pays for the literature, etc., and all of the offerings go to missions. Many practical plans are possible. Plan for missions and work your plan.

One of the little boys of the Harrisburg Sunday-school in Pennsylvania who worked to carry the gospel to Liao Chou, went to his Sunday-school superintendent and said: "Brother Shuler, what does a fellow do when his barrel gets full of coins?" That was his trouble. And now he has his second barrel. We're hoping more of the kiddies may have this difficulty!

CORRESPONDENCE

Dear Brethren:

Your letter was received, and note that you would like to have one hundred dollars out of me. Sometimes we have it to give, and sometimes we don't. This is one of the times that I could have used it to very good advantage, myself, but I finally decided to be one of the 340, so you will please find enclosed a check for amount asked for.

Respectfully yours,

A Brother in Southern Pennsylvania.

Before we started tithing (1923) we used to think that the Visitor was a bum paper, a regular little beggar, but after we started tithing we began using it a whole lot to find the best place to send our money. It makes a great difference. We think a great deal of the Visitor now.

James Wagoner, Tonasket, Wash.

During the past eight years I have been so situated that I could not attend services in my own church (U. B.), and have been attending at Pleasant Chapel and trying to help in whatever way needed. I have been very happy in the work.

I do want to commend you in your plan of work with the children. I think it so helpful to interest them in "others." The letters sent them from the field are so helpful and interesting. May the good work continue. Mrs. Effie Kanage.

Burley, Idaho, March 27, 1927.

Dear Friends:

Enclosed find check for $100 for the Conference Budget. I aimed to send it sooner but could not.

I have been giving $100 a year to the church since 1915, until last year, 1926, and I will never be satisfied until I make up that $100, but I can't just now. There are only two of our members in our town that I know of, but I hope we can have a church here some time.

I would like to have some tracts on New Testament Baptism, Doctrines and Practical Sermons, by I. J. Rosenberger. If this literature is sent to me, I will send check for same.

Yours truly,

S. B. Gochnour.

Ripon, Calif.

Dear Brethren:

Just a few lines and a few questions. How soon can we get the Africa slides? Give me all the data in the work among the young people and the children for our Airica plan and method of financing.

Enter us for ninety copies of those mission leaflets for Sunday-school.

We would like to show the slides four or five places. Let me know.

Our mission study is going over good. Best interest we have had for quite a while.

Yours truly,

O. S. Gilbert,

Missionary Secretary for Modesto Church.

THE COST OF SERVING CHRIST

A recent occasion this year was especially happy for a number of reasons, the first of which was the baptism of seven dear souls. Six were girls from the boarding-school, and one was a young man, who, when a boy, attended one of our village schools, and later when the boys' school at Palghar opened, attended there for about six months. Since leaving school he has been working here at Dahanu in the dispensary with Dr. Nickey. He had been wanting to become a Christian for some time, but had not the courage to endure the persecution that he knew he would have to meet. Finally the crisis came and he had to decide one way or the other.

He weighed the matter, both materially and spiritually. What would he gain by becoming a Christian? What would he lose? He would lose his wife perhaps, his relatives, his respect among Hindus. But what are these compared with gaining Christ and salvation? he thought. What if he does lose the respect of his relatives and friends, if he wins the approval of God, the Father, the Ruler of the universe, as well as the approval of his own conscience?

When he decided that he would accept Christ, come what might, his wife left him immediately, his father came and took all his household goods, and most of his clothing. He cursed him and beat him. Some of his Hindu friends came to him very confidentially, expressing their sorrow that he had done such a thing, but they said, "Never mind; just come to us when you want to come back into Hinduism. We will reinstate you." He said: "I did not accept Christ on the spur of the moment. I have thought this thing through, and I have accepted him for life. I have no intention of ever turning back." His courage and steadfastness have been an encouragement to all of us.

He was baptized on Sunday, and on Monday his wife returned and pleaded with him to return to his father's house. He refused to go. She came again. This time she

said: "Your father has called you to come to get your household goods and clothing." He said: "Father took my goods. If he wants me to have them, he should return them." On Wednesday his father brought back his goods and his wife, and now they are living together happier than ever. She is associating with our Christian women, and already seems quite at home among them. Will you not pray for her, that she, too, may accept Christ as her Savior?

(A copy of a paragraph from a letter written by Ella Ebbert, a missionary in the employ of the General Mission Board, Church of the Brethren, Elgin, Ill.)

BOOK REVIEWS

The Moslem Faces the Future, by T. H. P. Sailer. Missionary Education Movement. Price, $1, cloth; 60c in paper.

The author of this book is a member of the faculty of Teachers' College, Columbia University, and the educational advisor of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the United States. The book is based largely on fresh material concerning the dominant social, educational, and religious movements throughout the Moslem world, furnished by experienced missionaries in the various countries.

The Cost of a New World, by Kenneth Maclennan. 8 vo, 185 pp., with appendix and index, $1. New York. 1926.

Kenneth Maclennan is secretary of the Conference of Missionary Societies in Great Britain and Ireland, and general secretary of the United Council for Missionary Education. The object of this book is to present a brief survey of the material forces at work in the pre-war world and reveal the relation of Christianity to current world movements.

No age of Christian history has had more serious problems to solve than has ours. Our problems are such as the growth of nationality and the development of internationalism; race antagonisms; the revolt of youth; the industrialization of the Orient; the opening of Africa; the awakening of national aspirations, especially in the Far East, and the break-up of Pan-Islam. The author, while making no claim to political statesmanship, shows a keen and wide vision. He gives us to see that the conflicts in modern life are phases of an age-long struggle between the material and the spiritual. He believes that Jesus was and is a Teacher of men and that much light is yet to break upon us when we come to understand more perfectly the mind of Christ. He reminds us that Jesus lived out two great affirmatives—"I believe in God" and "I believe in men." Mr. Maclennan sees in the cross of Christ and its logical implications the power to heal the world's open sores, to ripen its immaturities, and to bring us all unto a "perfect man." A valuable book for students of world conditions. C. C. A.

Missionary Review of the World.

WORLD SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION, 1928

Conventions that bring together the people of different races for the purpose of planning for each other's good are factors for international peace and goodwill among men. Such will be the World's Tenth Sunday School Convention, to be held in Los Angeles, Calif., July 11-18, 1928. Only twice before has there been a convention of this kind held in the United States. The second world gathering of Sunday-school workers was held in St. Louis in 1893, and the sixth convention convened in Washington, D. C., in 1910. London, England, entertained this assemblage twice, the first time in 1889 and the second time in 1898. Other World's Conventions for Sunday-school workers were held as follows: Jerusalem in 1904, Rome in 1907, Zurich in 1913, Tokyo in 1920, and Glasgow in 1924. Inasmuch as these gatherings are now quadrennial affairs, it is not likely that North America will again have the privilege of entertaining this influential group of workers for at least a quarter of a century—for invitations have come from South America, South Africa, Australia, Egypt, Asia, and Europe for the convening of such a gathering. The Sunday-school as a method of teaching Christian truth has made its way into every land and readily becomes an indigenous institution. The soil it cultivates is childhood. The seed it sows is rightness toward God and goodwill among men. There are over 3,000,000 men and women of all races, languages and colors engaged in this work, and these will be interested in the convention to be held in Los Angeles.

FACING THE TASK

Frank F. Morris

We ponder o'er the love so freely given,
The beauties and the joy and bliss of heaven;
Bequeathed to us, God's children is this dower,
He loves us, and we need him every hour.

The grace of God, so bounteous and complete,
Designed that Christ should be our Mercy Seat;
That we should come to him and learn the way,
And never from his side be led astray.

Now we, who were in darkness, walk in light;
The sunshine in our soul, a pure delight;
Aloof from worldly lusts and Satan's snare,
We sail o'er glassy seas to havens fair.

Not so, my child! There's much that thou should'st learn.
The record of his will we must not spurn;
Search carefully and prayerfully the sacred page,
Find there the spirit life for youth and sage.

We read, rejoice, encouraged, glorify his name;
Its value thrice enhanced, it is so plain;
But lo! we soon discover, if you please,
We must not think to lie on "beds of ease."

The Savior bids us "work while it is day";
"Go teach the nations of the life, the way";
This simple truth we each should understand,
Proclaim his Word, in home and foreign land.

That Christ alone in darkened hearts should reign,
Who is the only Hope that will sustain;
So let us rise in phalanx, mighty, strong,
The note, WE WILL PREVAIL, haste to prolong.

An active, living faith bids us reveal
That Christ a broken heart can cleanse, can heal;
And only thus our souls be freed of dross,
And glory in the hope of Calvary's Cross.

Peru, Ind.

INDIA IS PLEADING

Leah Ruth Ebey (age 12 years)

India is pleading!
Listen! Hear her call!
Hear the cries as her children fall
Down into sin and misery!
Oh! let us cross the sea!
Let us that call be heeding!

India is pleading!
Listen! Hear her weep!
Come, we'll cross the ocean deep.
India! We come to rescue thee!
Oh! Let us cross the sea!
Let us that cry be heeding!

India is pleading!
Listen! Hear her say—
"Come help us, one and all, today.
Come help us all—e'en the poojaree." *
Oh! Let us cross the sea!
Let us that speech be heeding!

India is pleading!
Listen! Hear her sigh—
"Bring us light." Would that light were nigh!
What! Fainthearts, dare you say, "Not me"?
Oh! Let us cross the sea!
Let us that cry be heeding!

India is pleading!
Listen! Hear her call—
"Come, help us break down Satan's wall,
For if it falls—then we are free."
Oh! Let us cross the sea!
Let us that call be heeding!

India is pleading!
Listen! Let us haste!
Oh! Let her not her sad cries waste
On stony hearts or cold! Come ye!
Oh! Let us cross the sea!
And thus her cry be heeding!

* Poojaree—an Indian priest that worships in a temple.

Preaching recently in London, the bishop of Chelmsford suggested that some Christians got into the habit of compiling a list of things they wanted God to give them, and they never knelt in prayer without asking for one of them. It reminded him of the time when his little girl used to come into his study—knowing that he kept a bag of sweets there, and that she would doubtless get one or two of them. But once she looked in, and when asked what she had come for, she replied: "Nothing; I've just come to see you, daddy." Have you ever knelt down before God with the feeling that you just wanted to be near him and to see him and to speak to him, and to listen for his words to you? If you have you may be sure you are getting into the spirit of true prayer.

Thomas Fuller wrote: "Many favors which God giveth us ravel out for want of hemming, through our unthankfulness."



Conducted by Aunt Adalyn

A Monument to the Children of the Church

CHAS. D. BONSACK
Secretary, General Mission Board

JUST before leaving India we went a second time to the recently-erected hospital at Dahanu, to bring to the children of America, who worked so hard to erect this splendid building, some facts of encouragement, for many times during our visit at the various mission stations, both in prayer and praise, we heard this great effort of the American children spoken of as what Christianity is doing and will do. So, while our ship today is sailing on the Red Sea, we want to write a few lines on this subject for the children, through the Missionary Visitor.

First, let us say that in India there is no form of service that seems so much needed and helpful as that of bringing hope and comfort through better health. Jesus always looked on the sick with love and pity. How the story of his life is filled with his help to those who were sick! In India many do not have enough to eat at any time! In America we do not know what this means! Neither is there any variety to the little they do get. Apart from dried fish, they get no meat and have but little, indeed, of millet bread, vegetable or rice. This means that nearly all people are under-



Dahanu Hospital, India. Built by the Children in America

fed, and when disease comes they are likely to die, unless great care is given them. It is said that more than half of the children born in India die before they are five years old! This is mostly due to insufficient food, ignorance and unsanitary homes, lack of proper attention and overworked mothers. So it is easy to see how a hospital for the care of women and children can meet a great need in a land like this.

You have seen pictures of the building. It is quite substantial and well located along a much-used highway where somebody travels almost constantly. It is five minutes' walk from the station and town of Dahanu, and only one and a half miles from the seacoast, where there is a beautiful beach. On our last visit there were ten patients in the hospital, besides the scores who come daily to the dispensary for medicines. The rooms are pleasant, with good beds. One would think that in a land where most of the people of the village never saw a bed, they would be glad to come where a soft, sweet bed awaited them, but this is not always true. Most of the people prefer to do their own cooking and bring some of their family—likely all of them—and for this reason the hospital has provided a number of rooms in another building, back of the hospital. These were about all full when we were there, and no doubt more will be needed. This plan requires less care and attention upon the part of the hospital staff, is therefore cheaper, and brings more people to hear the Gospel of hope and life. It may not provide the best care for delicate and serious cases.

But the thing that India cannot understand is **how** and **why** the children of America could and would do this! On the day of dedication there were displayed in the building pictures from the Visitor, showing children at their various tasks making money to give to the hospital. Dr. Nickey told the story to those who came. Many marveled and quite a few shed tears at such devotion and love. It has touched the hearts of others in India. Dahanu is in a vicinity of rather well-to-do Parsis. Some of the Parsi ladies have been cared for in the hospital. A number have made some contributions of money, fruit and other gifts. Some wealthy Hindus, also, marvel at children doing such a great work. These wealthy folks live in homes by the sea and have shown much interest, both because of the work being done, as well as the source whence it was provided.

Since the building was completed nearly a hundred patients have been cared for, of eighteen or twenty different castes. Mohammedans, Parsis, Hindus, and Christians have here met in the common lot of suffering to receive care and help. Two of our own missionary mothers and one from an adjoining mission received care and comfort in times of real need. Nearly all leave some gift of love and appreciation for the care received. Its usefulness will much increase in the years ahead.

So we want to say that the children of the church in America will never know just what a monument they have built in the Dahanu Hospital. It will not only bring blessing through its daily ministrations, but has already touched the channels of loving sacrifice in giving for others, such as only their simple faith and love could do. Besides, they have taught in this monument of good will that which survives caste and selfishness, as well as the religion of work; both of which are much needed in the life of India. All hail to the children, as well as to their teachers and parents, who encouraged and guided them! They have built that which shall ever increase in its blessing to their memory!

ARE THE CHILDREN ROLLER-COASTING?

Rocky Ford, Colorado

Our Junior League covered three months' missionary study—one month of Greene County, Virginia, and two months of Africa and Nigeria. A nice lot of handwork was done in connection with the study. The Intermediate Girls made relief maps of Greene County, showing the Industrial School building, mission points, mountains and trees, on cardboard. The Junior Boys erected a log cabin on cardboard covered with prepared clay, and surrounded it with trees, making a real mountaineer home. Two classes of smaller Juniors made beautiful gardens, with the clay first placed upon cardboard, with several kinds of vegetation and flowers neatly arranged about.

For our Africa study we covered the pro-

grams in Our Boys and Girls and the Missionary Visitor. The older girls' class made maps of different provinces of Nigeria. The boys made a Bura compound, with its peculiar-shaped houses covered with roofs of grass or reeds. The smaller children made some very pretty mottoes, African jungles, and a Bura compound on a small scale. We have a fine band of Juniors, with an enrollment of thirty-nine, and four teachers.

At the close of our three months' work we gave the pageant, "America, Befriend," as part of the B. Y. P. D. program, which included the missionary play, "Robert and Mary." For raising money this season we expect to raise flower seed for a large seed house here in the city. We have the lots engaged, and are hoping to make a nice sum for the benefit of "Our Black Brothers."

Mrs. Jessie Andrews.
208 No. 4th Street. Supt. Junior Dept.

FAIRFAX—EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA

During 1926 the primary, beginners, and junior girls' classes of Oakton Sunday-school raised $29.06 for the Liao Chou mission work. Some of the ways and means by which this was done are as follows: Raising flowers and Lima beans, raising and caring for chickens, feeding pigs, selling vegetables and strawberries, picking cherries and apples, running errands for neighbors and helping mother. We expect to have a larger band of enthusiastic workers for "Our Black Brothers," with the assistance of parents and the coöperation of the Sunday-school, which is giving each worker a quarter to invest. Mrs. Joseph S. Wine,
Missionary secretary.

NUTS TO CRACK

Dissected Word

I am composed of 16 letters.
My 4, 2, 3, 6, is an African tribe.
My 12, 1, 2, 3, is a journey.
My 13, 6, 5, 12, is to stop.
My 7, 6, 10, 12, is a two-wheeled wagon.
My 9, 6, 15, 8, is a dog's voice.
My 13, 11, 12, 14, 5, is an inn.
My 16, 14, 6, 10, 7, 13, is to hunt for.
My 7, 15, 14, 16, 12, is the peak.
My 9, 10, 1, 12, 13, is thin soup.
My whole is the cause we are working for this summer.

A Landscape After a Storm

1. E rest.
2. Brush S.
3. R sags.
4. Slow fer.
5. U clods.
6. Corks.
7. S li H.
8. I a brown.

(Answers next month)

MAY NUTS CRACKED

Hidden Vegetables.—1. Beet. 2. Turnip. 3. Potato. 4. Tomato. 5. Radish. 6. Onion. 7. Cabbage. 8. Beans. 9. Peas. 10. Carrot.

Pieces of Money.—1. Cent. 2. Nickel. 3. Dime. 4. Quarter. 5. Dollar. 6. Shilling. 7. Eagle.

(More Juniors on Page 256)



Beginners, Primary and Junior Girls' Classes of Oakton Sunday-school, Eastern District of Virginia. Teachers are Nora Matthias, Cleo Driver and Mary Halliday.

The Record of Giving

of the Church of the Brethren

For the Year Ended February 28, 1927

Statistics Arranged by

Congregations and Church Districts

General Statistics



Compiled by the

COUNCIL OF PROMOTION

Church of the Brethren

Elgin, Illinois

EXPLANATION

First Column. Figures in this column represent the sums received from congregations and various departments thereof designated for various mission funds, the Conference Budget and for work of all Boards with askings in the general budget.

Second Column. Figures in this column represent amounts contributed by individuals known to belong to the congregations so credited. It was assumed that these individuals, however, were not concerned or did not desire, that their congregations get credit for their gifts and so perhaps reduce their ordinary congregational giving.

Third Column. Figures in this column represent the cross totals of columns one and two and therefore the total giving of the congregation for the year.

Names in bold type of congregations mean that such congregations gave an average of $5.00 or more per member for the year. We purposely want to praise the churches who are "front line" churches in point of giving to the world-wide efforts of the church. It should be an incentive to at least about one-half of our churches that are apparently not less able to give than those in the $5.00 group but which it is observed, year after year, seem to be satisfied to give around $1.00 to $3.00 a member average.

The star in front of names of congregations are those that improved their per member average giving over the previous year. We have nothing but praise for these even if some are not yet in the $5.00 group as desired that they be. They are going in the right direction. We encourage further improvement next year.

GIVING OF INDIVIDUAL CONGREGATIONS

Name of Congregation			
1. Florida & Georgia			
Arcadia	$ 2.50	$	$ 2.50
*Brooksville	39.90		39.90
Chosen			
Clay County	13.00		13.00
*Lakeland	8.75		8.75
*Orlando	14.85	11.00	25.85
Sebring	688.48	612.00	1,300.48
Seneca	36.00		36.00
Sunnyland			
*Zion	34.13		34.13
Unallocated	13.90	145.00	158.90
2. North & South Carolina			
*Bailey		2.00	2.00
Brummett Creek			
Golden			
Green River Cove			
Flat Rock			
*Little Pine	1.00		1.00
Melvin Hill	12.61		12.61
Mill Creek	10.00	15.00	25.00
Mt. Carmel			
Mountain View			
New Bethel			
New Haven			
Peak Creek			
Pattersons Chapel			
Pigeon River			
Pleasant Grove			
Pleasant Valley			
Rowland Creek			
Springdale			
Unallocated		5.00	5.00
3. Tennessee			
Bailey Grove			
Beaver Creek	29.00		29.00
Bristol			
*Cedar Grove	45.00	34.00	79.00
Central Point			
Cumberland			
Ewing			
French Broad	85.00		85.00
Fruitdale	4.36		4.36
Hawthorne			
Jackson Park Mem.	10.00	40.00	50.00
Johnson City	34.62		34.62
*Knob Creek	163.93		163.93
Liberty	5.62	4.00	9.62
Limestone	48.25		48.25
Lone Star			
Meadow Branch	68.91	10.15	79.06
Midway			
Mountain Valley	75.37	30.00	105.37
New Hope	32.00		32.00
Oneonta	44.62		44.62
Piney Flats			
Pleasant Hill	10.43		10.43
*Pleasant Mount	3.75		3.75
Pleasant Valley	12.38	10.00	22.38
Pleasant View			
Sweetwater Valley			
Walnut Grove	27.60		27.60
Wayne Mission			
White Horn		5.00	5.00
Wolf Creek			
Unallocated	25.24	143.00	168.24
4. Southern Virginia			
Antioch	212.81	5.00	217.81
Beaver Creek			
Bethlehem	64.87		64.87
Burks Fork			
Christiansburg	17.65	20.00	37.65
Coulson		5.66	5.66
Fraternity	127.55		127.55
*Germantown	26.00	260.00	286.00
Laurel Branch	10.00		10.00
*Maple Grove	12.00		12.00
Mt. Hermon			
Mt. Jackson			
New Hope			
Pleasant Hill	50.00		50.00
Pleasant Valley	25.31		25.31
*Pulaski City	5.60		5.60
Red Oak Grove	25.00	7.00	32.00
*Schoolfield	3.75		3.75
*Shelton	3.60		3.60
Smith River			
Snow Creek	26.27		26.27
Spray	9.29		9.29
St. Paul			
Texas Chapel			
Topeco	66.00		66.00
Walkers Well			
White Rock			
Unallocated	61.50	19.00	80.50
5. First Virginia			
Antioch	35.00		35.00
*Bethel	2.00		2.00
Bluefield		5.00	5.00
Central Roanoke	49.31		49.31
Chestnut Grove (Pleasant View)	168.63	9.00	177.63
Cloverdale	411.37	10.00	421.37
Copper Hill	35.76		35.76
Crab Orchard		11.18	11.18
Daleville	236.68	45.00	281.68

Greenbriar			
Green Hill	15.96		15.96
Hopewell			
Jeters Chapel			
Johnsville			
Kanawha Valley			
Lynchburg		5.00	5.00
Monroe			
Mt. Joy		30.50	30.50
Oak Grove	93.00		93.00
Oakvale			
Otter River	13.00		13.00
Peters Creek	271.36		271.36
Poages Mill			
Roanoke—Ninth St.	66.29	15.00	81.29
Roanoke N. W.	903.96		903.96
Saunders Grove			
Selma	10.00	10.00	20.00
*Smiths Chapel		28.00	28.00
*Terrace View	139.31	10.00	149.31
Tinker Creek	13.00		13.00
Troutville	32.10	12.50	44.60
Unallocated	25.55	236.63	262.18

6. Eastern Virginia

Belmont	17.01	3.40	20.41
Bethel			
Central Plains			
Fairfax	429.56	52.00	481.56
Hollywood	3.00	6.00	9.00
Locust Grove		30.00	30.00
Madison			
Manassas	440.64	20.00	460.64
Midland	86.49	17.00	103.49
Mine Run			
Montebello			
Mt. Carmel	193.91	44.00	237.91
Nokesville	141.07	18.00	159.07
Oronoco	3.50		3.50
Rappahannock			
Richmond	5.00		5.00
Trevilian	4.00		4.00
Valley	130.69		139.69
Unallocated		12.00	12.00

7. Second Virginia

*Barren Ridge	638.25	77.32	715.57
Beaver Creek	67.50	32.00	99.50
Bridgewater	1,807.38	184.00	1,991.38
*Buena Vista	2.00		2.00
*Chimney Run	6.08	38.72	44.80
Concord			
Crummits Run			
Elk Run	108.50		108.50
Headwaters	4.00	3.00	7.00
Hevener			
Lebanon	611.15	72.00	683.15
Middle River	571.55		571.55
Moscow	28.90	25.00	53.90
Mt. Vernon	21.08		21.08
North Fork			
Pleasant Valley	1,229.76	47.00	1,276.76
Sangerville	290.59	53.00	343.59
Staunton	5.00	21.00	26.00
Summit	696.40	5.00	701.40
Valley Bethel	14.50	10.00	24.50
Waynesboro	32.00		32.00
*White Hall	22.06		22.06
Unallocated		1,064.00	1,064.00

8. Northern Virginia

Brocks Gap	4.41		4.41
*Cooks Creek	618.69	85.00	703.69
Damascus	10.10		10.10
Flat Rock	324.69	2.50	327.19
*Greenmount	973.56	51.00	1,024.56
Harrisonburg	428.77	14.83	443.60
Linville Creek	573.71	27.00	600.71
Lower Lost River	12.50		12.50
Mill Creek	1,423.41	30.00	1,453.41
Moorefield	15.37		15.37
Mt. Zion	168.03	40.15	208.18
No. Mill Creek	10.79		10.79
Pleasant View	25.12		25.12
Powells Fort	10.50	2.00	12.50
Salem	31.68		31.68
Smiths Creek	16.41	1.00	17.41
*South Fork	40.66		40.66
Timberville	976.08	17.50	993.58
Unity	492.02	49.50	541.52
Upper Lost River	22.05	13.75	35.80
*Woodstock	307.93	10.00	317.93
Unallocated	98.65	13.00	111.65

9. First West Virginia

Allegheny	7.25	1.25	8.50
Bean Settlement			
Beaver Run	77.24	70.00	147.24
*Capon Chapel	11.00	10.00	21.00
Cheat River			
*Eglon	837.93	72.50	910.43
Greenland	17.35	39.00	56.35
*Harman	127.73	20.00	147.73
Keyser	50.50		50.50
Knobley	3.80		3.80
New Creek			
North Fork	10.00		10.00
*Old Furnace	10.00		10.00
Red Creek			
Sandy Creek	960.00		960.00
Seneca			
Tearcoat		80.00	80.00
White Pine	27.78		27.78
Unallocated	20.30	16.00	36.00

10. Second West Virginia

Beans Chapel			
Bethany			
Goshen			
Mt. Hebron			
Mt. Zion			
Pleasant Hill			
Pleasant Valley		20.00	20.00
*Shiloh	2.90		2.90
Union Chapel			
Valley River	30.00	10.00	40.00
Unallocated		76.90	76.90

11. Eastern Maryland

Balt. (Fulton Ave.)	957.54	50.00	1,007.54
Balt. (Woodberry)	583.79		583.79
Beaver Dam	44.79		44.79
Bethany	236.49	10.00	246.49
Bush Creek	254.63		254.63
*Denton	458.09		458.09
Frederick City	155.00	36.00	191.00
*Green Hill	60.75	10.00	70.75
Locust Grove	31.00		31.00
Long Green Valley	308.05		308.05
*Meadow Branch	1,982.38	143.00	2,125.38
Monocacy	111.71		111.71
Piney Creek	47.34		47.34
Pipe Creek	1,791.84	122.00	1,913.84
Reisterstown	24.35		24.35
Sams Creek	178.32	10.00	188.32
Thurmont	19.00		19.00
Upper Middletown Valley	585.17	53.00	638.17
Washington City	624.07	35.50	659.57
Unallocated	46.92	108.00	154.92

12. Middle Maryland

Beaver Creek	144.11		144.11
Berkeley	56.27		56.27
Broadfording	444.12	35.00	479.12
Brownsville	643.76	52.00	695.76
Hagerstown	2,242.50	82.00	2,324.50
*Johnsontown	19.95		19.95
Licking Creek	25.00	30.00	55.00
*Long Meadow	218.15		218.15
Manor	218.99	45.00	263.99
Pleasant View	1,536.50		1,536.50
*Welsh Run	259.55	19.00	278.55
Unallocated	356.49	76.00	432.49

13. Western Maryland

Bear Creek	287.73	15.00	302.73
Broadwater			
Cherry Grove	124.10	43.05	167.15
Fairview	18.00		18.00
Georges Creek	33.15		33.15
Maple Grove	9.00		9.00
Oak Grove			
Pine Grove			
Unallocated		15.50	15.50

14. S. E. Pa., New Jersey & New York

Ambler	46.19		46.19

Amwell	11.00		11.00
Brooklyn, First	34.00		34.00
Brooklyn, Italian Mission			
Coventry	1,188.31	38.00	1,226.31
Greentree	890.30	5.00	895.30
*Harmonyville	394.39	25.00	419.39
*Norristown	266.73		266.73
Parkerford	650.59		650.59
*Philadelphia (Bethany)	149.00		149.00
Philadelphia (Calvary)	200.00		200.00
Philadelphia (First)	1,067.95	1.00	1,068.95
Phila. (Geiger Mem.)	78.50		78.50
Phila. (Germantown)	687.20	30.00	717.20
*Pottstown	45.00	5.00	50.00
Royersford	961.69		961.69
Springfield	419.18		419.18
Wilmington	5.00		5.00
Unallocated	26.60	155.12	181.72

15. Middle Pennsylvania

Albright	247.00		247.00
Altoona, First	1,025.80	5.90	1,031.70
Altoona, 28th St.	350.00	2.00	352.00
Ardenheim	220.00		220.00
Artemas			
Aughwick	153.51	37.00	190.51
Bellwood	67.59		67.59
Burnham	201.39	2.00	203.39
*Carson Valley	221.32		221.32
Cherry Lane	32.11		32.11
Clover Creek	675.91	126.00	801.91
*Dry Valley	307.85		307.85
Dunnings Creek	15.00	148.50	163.50
Everett	305.15	51.00	356.15
Fairview	134.01		134.01
Hollidaysburg	12.64	2.00	14.64
*Huntingdon	2,025.00	2,178.30	4,203.30
James Creek	29.36		29.36
Juniata Park	120.28		120.28
Koontz	148.83		148.83
Leamersville	60.75		60.75
Lewistown	2,010.08	80.00	2,090.08
*Lower Claar	10.00		10.00
New Enterprise	1,088.18	10.00	1,098.18
Queen			
Raven Run	16.00		16.00
*Riddlesburg	26.82		26.82
Roaring Spring	327.03	1.00	328.03
Smithfield	35.88		35.88
Snake Spring	190.37	30.00	220.37
Spring Run	903.87	57.00	960.87
Stonerstown	54.07		54.07
Tyrone	73.69		73.69
Upper Claar			
Warriors Mark	86.70		86.70
Williamsburg	306.79		306.79
Woodbury	564.28	41.00	605.28
Yellow Creek	128.20	5.00	133.20
Unallocated	92.64	111.00	203.64

16. Western Pennsylvania

Bear Run	3.00		3.00
Belle Vernon	9.06		9.06
Berlin	100.70		100.70
Bolivar	91.10	5.00	96.10
*Brothers Valley	519.15		519.15
Chess Creek			
Connellsville	35.61	35.00	70.61
Cowanshannock			
Cumberland	33.05		33.05
Elbethel			
Elk Lick	210.55	5.00	215.55
*Geiger	168.93	25.00	193.93
Georges Creek (Fairchance)			
Georges Creek (Fairview House)	44.69		44.69
Georges Creek (Uniontown)	325.66		325.66
Glade Run	148.39	8.00	156.39
Greensburg	418.00		418.00
Greenville	21.36		21.36
Hooversville	60.32		60.32
Hyndman	2.00		2.00
Indian Creek	51.39		51.39
*Johnstown (Conemaugh)	49.65		49.65
Johnstown (Walnut Grove)	1,766.78	17.50	1,784.28
Ligonier	202.93	4.00	206.93
Locust Grove	125.23	11.00	136.23
Manor	221.13	150.00	371.13
Maple Glen	122.50		122.50
Markleysburg	2.06		2.06
Meyersdale	591.38		591.38
Middle Creek	131.48	5.00	136.48
Montgomery	57.41	88.25	145.66
Morrellville	255.50	.50	256.00
*Mt. Joy	700.44		700.44
Mt. Pleasant	44.10		44.10
Mt. Union	25.00	30.00	55.00
Moxham	267.30	50.00	317.30
Nanty Glo	18.02	3.50	21.52
*Penn Run	250.16		250.16
Pittsburgh	641.50	15.15	656.65
Pleasant Hill	198.60	.50	199.10
Plum Creek	235.47		235.47
Quemahoning	645.74	10.50	656.24
Red Bank	172.71	9.00	181.71
Rockton	47.92	11.00	58.92
Rockwood	30.52	30.00	60.52
Roxbury	548.29	26.50	574.79
Rummel	751.31	101.00	852.31
Scalp Level	1,563.41		1,563.41
Shade Creek	290.29		290.29
Sipesville	185.50		185.50
Somerset	190.94	6.00	196.94
Summit Mills	13.18		13.18
*Ten Mile	41.10	1.00	42.10
Trout Run			
Westmont	222.66		222.66
Windber	310.83		310.83
Wooddale			
Unallocated	1,055.43	36.57	1,092.00

17. Eastern Pennsylvania

Akron	240.35		240.35
Annville	567.42		567.42
Chiques	1,301.44	37.00	1,338.44
*Conestoga	1,118.88		1,118.88
*Conewago	151.62		151.62
East Fairview	618.47	10.00	628.47
East Petersburg	536.77	2.00	538.77
Elizabethtown	2,809.41	56.00	2,865.41
Ephrata	2,107.92	30.50	2,138.42
Fredericksburg	267.84	15.00	282.84
Harrisburg	876.60	575.50	1,452.10
Hatfield	874.48	15.00	889.48
Heidelberg	212.41		212.41
Indian Creek	1,275.74	173.00	1,448.74
Lake Ridge	77.25	15.00	92.25
Lancaster	1,157.45	4.20	1,161.65
Lititz	370.85	26.50	397.35
Maiden Creek	346.15	1,673.00	2,019.15
Mechanic Grove	439.24		439.24
Midway	918.25	40.00	958.25
Mingo	745.06	5.00	750.06
*Mountville	543.50	12.00	555.50
*Myerstown	374.26	3.50	377.76
Palmyra	2,853.69	5.00	2,858.69
Peach Blossom	169.88		169.88
*Reading	217.90		217.90
Richland	991.01	50.00	1,041.01
Ridgely	296.88		296.88
Schuylkill	78.81		78.81
*Shamokin	88.51	2.00	90.51
Spring Creek	916.85	111.00	1,027.85
*Spring Grove	295.97		295.97
*Springville	460.65	5.50	466.15
*Swatara, Big	413.90	325.00	738.90
*Swatara, Little	528.18	116.50	644.68
West Conestogo	425.02	41.00	466.02
West Greentree	485.87	30.00	515.87
White Oak	1,657.31		1,657.31
Unallocated	459.36	164.35	623.71

18. Southern Pennsylvania

Antietam	323.60		323.60
Back Creek	251.05		251.05
Buffalo	43.70		43.70
Carlisle	234.64	17.00	251.64
Chambersburg	38.91		38.91
Codorus	509.64		509.64
Falling Spring	176.57		176.57
*Hanover	341.83	25.50	367.33
Huntsdale	36.24		36.24
Lost Creek	263.73	26.50	290.23
Lower Conewago	63.47		63.47
Lower Cumberland	169.54		169.54
Marsh Creek	96.61	27.50	124.11
Mechanicsburg	278.15		278.15

Mount Olivet	177.14		177.14
*New Fairview	439.65	2.00	441.65
Newville			
*Perry	110.13		110.13
Pleasant Hill	164.71		164.71
Shippensburg	125.23	10.00	135.23
Ridge	64.24	40.00	104.24
Sugar Valley	75.46	70.00	145.46
Upper Codorus	288.50	3.00	291.50
*Upper Conewago	834.51	875.00	1,709.51
Upper Cumberland	63.59		63.59
Waynesboro	3,870.02	4.50	3,874.52
York	857.99	212.00	1,069.99
Unallocated	10.11	25.00	35.11

19. Northeastern Ohio

Akron	669.40	510.00	1,179.40
Alliance	14.00		14.00
Ashland	499.50	1.00	500.50
Ashland Dickey	471.67	11.00	482.67
Baltic	343.97	7.00	350.97
Bethel	33.50		33.50
Black River	434.63	2.00	436.63
Bristolville	8.20		8.20
Canton Center	474.40	12.00	486.40
*Canton City	462.68	30.00	492.68
*Chippewa	328.99	33.00	361.99
Cleveland	229.40	2.00	231.40
Danville	579.74	6.00	585.74
East Chippewa	528.46	6.00	534.46
East Nimishillen	616.96	35.50	652.46
Freeburg	731.00		731.00
Goshen	158.95		158.95
Greenwood	5.44		5.44
Hartville	694.66	6.00	700.66
Kent	33.07		33.07
Loudonville			
*Maple Grove	403.69	133.00	536.69
Mohican	21.17	44.75	65.92
Mt. Zion		2.00	2.00
New Philadelphia	88.88		88.88
Olivet	810.10	5.00	815.10
Owl Creek	960.20	5.00	965.20
Reading	73.55	20.00	93.55
*Richland	176.40	2.00	178 40
*Springfield	297.07	515.00	812.07
*Tuscarawas	85.97	5.00	90.97
*West Nimishillen	208.87	2.00	210.87
Woodworth	14.77		14.77
Wooster	418.36	63.00	481.36
*Zion Hill	207.41	22.00	229.41
Unallocated	516.77	3.00	519.77

20. Northwestern Ohio

Baker		10.00	10.00
Bellefontaine	113.62	1.00	114.62
*Black Swamp	178.79		178.79
County Line	5.55	1.90	7.45
Defiance	74.65		74.65
Deshler	26.84	9.00	35.84
*Dupont	201.05		201.05
Eagle Creek	580.18	5.00	585.18
Fairview	19.40		19.40
Fostoria	177.26	5.00	182.26
Greenspring	252.34	121.50	373 84
Hicksville	5.40		5.40
Lick Creek	425.45	20.00	445.45
Lima	365.50	89.00	454.50
Logan	274.52		274.52
Marion	107.85		107.85
Pleasant View	1,103.23	3.00	1,106.23
Poplar Ridge	333.40	55.00	388.40
Portage	31.85		31.85
*Rome	98.65		98.65
Ross	70 92		70.92
Sand Ridge	90 25		90.25
Silver Creek	319.98	163.37	483.35
Sugar Creek	132.75		132.75
Sugar Ridge		25.00	25.00
Swan Creek	26.20		26.20
Toledo	50.67	2.00	52.67
Wyandot	17.86		17.86
Unallocated		65.00	65.00

21. Southern Ohio

*Ash Grove	1.00		1.00
Bear Creek	1.048 70	2.00	1,050.70
*Beaver Creek	181.02		181.02
Beech Grove	154.35	57.00	211.35
Bradford	79.52		79.52
Bremen		.50	.50
Brookville	377.49	10.00	387.49
*Cassel Run		50.00	50.00
Castine	220.15		220.15
*Cedar Grove House	26.00		26.00
Charlestown			
Cincinnati	130.98		130.98
Circleville			
Constance	2.00		2.00
Covington	610.59	25.00	635.59
Donnels Creek	475.28	13.00	488.28
East Dayton	138.54	10.00	148.54
Eaton			
*Eversole	661.32		661.32
Ft. McKinley	659.73	220.00	879.73
*Georgetown	238.82		238 82
Gratis			
Greenville	295.55	43.00	338.55
Hamilton	2.00		2.00
Harris Creek	791.96		791.96
Lexington	10.00	10.00	20.00
Loramie		10.00	10.00
Lower Miami	429.89	36.00	465.89
*Lower Stillwater	543.16	1.00	544.16
Marble Furnace	18.60		18.60
May Hill		385.00	385.00
Middle District	196.32	4.00	200.32
Middletown	70.70		70.70
New Carlisle	1,196.91	9.00	1,205.91
*Oakland	424.60	16.00	440.60
Painter Creek	591.27	6.00	597.27
Piqua	48.95		48.95
Pitsburg	368.78	18.50	387.28
Pleasant Hill	287.74	5.00	292.74
Pleasant Valley	24.30	2.00	26.30
Poplar Grove	475.25		475.25
*Prices Creek	363.51	10.00	373.51
Salem	1,520.77	16.50	1,537.27
Sidney	71.00	15.00	86.00
Springfield	97.43		97.43
Stone Lick		2.00	2.00
Strait Creek Valley	16.45		16.45
Trotwood	905.48	19.00	925.48
Troy	15.00	15.00	30.00
Union City	92.41	14.00	106.41
Upper Twin	213.89	4.00	217.89
West Alexandria	218.07		218.07
West Branch	56.86	50.00	105.86
West Charlestown	109.88	10.50	120.38
West Dayton	341.94	23.00	364.94
West Milton	295.08	52.00	347.08
White Oak			
Unallocated	18.63	53.00	71.63

22. Michigan

Battle Creek	120.97	25.00	145.97
Bear Lake	14 00		14.00
Beaverton	244.55	16.25	260.80
Crystal	55.56		55.56
Detroit	118.15	13.00	131.15
Elmdale	224.97		224.97
Elsie	60.55	25.50	86.05
Grand Rapids	167.39	5.00	172.39
Harlan	22.25		22.25
Hart	30.25		30.25
Homestead	21.82		21.82
*Lake View	272.75	35.00	307.75
Long Lake	84.85		84.85
Marilla	11.67		11.67
*Midland	61.25		61.25
New Haven	68.95		68.95
*Onekama	87.04	10.00	97.04
Pontiac	38.48	2.00	40.48
Rodney	60.00		60.00
Shepherd	404.00		404.00
Sugar Ridge	141.93		141.93
Sunfield	130.66		130.66
Thornapple	107.65	3.50	111.15
Vestaburg	13.75		13.75
Woodland	530.26	115.00	645.26
Woodland Village	150.54		150.54
Zion	48 31		48.31
Unallocated	181.01	115.67	296.68

23. Northern Indiana

Auburn	125.36		125 36
Baugo	191.56	7.00	198.56
*Bethany	349.32	2.00	351.32
Bethel	105.64	11.00	116 64
Blissville	122.00	2.00	124.00

*Blue River	294.50	4.50	299.00
Bremen	241.34	2.50	243.84
Buchanan	23.41		23.41
Camp Creek	90.75	4.00	94.75
Cedar Creek	23.27		23.27
Cedar Lake	169.39	6.00	175.39
Center	206.37	38.35	244.72
Elkhart City	588.55	178.00	766.55
Elkhart Valley	279.92	5.00	284.92
English Prairie	109.00	3.00	112.00
Fort Wayne	138.82		138.82
*Goshen City	1,029.48	22.00	1,051.48
LaPorte	348.12	20.00	368.12
Maple Grove	235.24	4.00	239.24
Middlebury	962.00	52.00	1,014.00
Milford			
*Nappanee	628.28	14.50	642.78
New Paris	812.24		812.24
New Salem	111.60		111.60
North Liberty	280.37		280.37
No. Winona Lake	517.05	82.00	599.05
Oak Grove	299.01		299.01
*Osceola	140.00		140.00
Pine Creek	393.80		393.80
Pleasant Chapel	130.40		130.40
Pleasant Hill	31.40	1.00	32.40
Pleasant Valley	428.24	7.00	435.24
Pleasant View Chapel	10.27		10.27
*Plymouth	575.93	15.00	590.93
Rock Run	747.05	87.00	834.05
Salem			
*Shipshewana	217.48	2.00	219.48
Solomon's Creek	163.19		163.19
South Bend, First	1,008.69	144.00	1,152.69
South Bend, Second	48.84	5.00	53.84
Syracuse	2.00	4.00	6.00
Tippecanoe	2.00		2.00
Topeka			
Turkey Creek	77.44		77.44
Union			
Union Center	685.17	5.00	690.17
Wakarusa	395.86	31.00	426.86
Walnut	141.50	31.50	173.00
Wawaka	56.78		56.78
West Goshen	752.07	26.00	778.07
Yellow Creek	369.49		369.49
Yellow River (Mt. Pleasant)	286.25	13.00	299.25
Unallocated	73.50	62.50	136.00

24. Middle Indiana

Andrews	111.40	5.00	116 40
Bachelor Run	428.63	2.00	430.63
Beaver Creek	181.66		181.66
Bethel Center	7.50		7.50
Burnetts Creek	52.11	50.00	102.11
Cart Creek	134.14		134.14
Clear Creek	484.36		484.36
Delphi	78.00		78 00
Eel River	303.18	2.00	305.18
Flora	956.12	3.00	959.12
Hartford City	16.13		16.13
Hickory Grove	302.53	1.50	304.03
Huntington City	345.60	35.00	380 60
Landessville	29.51		29.51
Logansport	47.76		47.76
Loon Creek	276.33	11.00	287.33
Lower Deer Creek	36.05		36.05
Manchester	4,865.79	375.50	5,241.29
Markle	152.91	7.00	159.91
Mexico	666.81	106.50	773.31
Monticello	205.67	5.00	210.67
Ogans Creek	53.16		53.16
Peru	130.10	11.50	141.60
Pipe Creek	823.42	.50	823.92
*Pleasant Dale	383.26	13.50	396.76
Pleasant View	267.73	18.00	285.73
Plunge Creek Chapel	137.09	12.00	149.09
Portland	79.01		79.01
Prairie Creek	6.30		6.30
*Roann	117.62	39.29	156 91
Salamonie	512.40	17.00	529.40
Santa Fe	168.05	2.00	170.05
Somerset			
South Whitley	179.77	22.00	201.77
Spring Creek	395.43	41.00	436.43
Sugar Creek	12.00	6.50	18.50
Upper Deer Creek	2.00		2.00
Wabash	82.13	5.00	87.13
Wabash City	17.46		17.45
Walton	103.81	2.00	105.81
*West Eel River	76.33	10.00	86.33
West Manchester	652.95	19.00	671.95
West Marion	8.15		8.15
Unallocated	58.54	57.90	116.44

25. Southern Indiana

Anderson	584.57	6.00	590.57
Arcadia	130.75		130.75
Beech Grove	3.88		3.88
*Bethany	5.00		5.00
Buck Creek	374.60	35.00	409.60
Fairview	114.79		114.79
Four Mile	753.58	17.00	770.58
Howard	43.75		43.75
Indianapolis	178.04	52.50	230.54
*Killbuck	47.30		47.50
Kokomo	79.72	6.36	86.08
Ladoga	28.15		28.15
Maple Grove	25.00		25.00
Middletown	30.14	2.00	32.14
*Mississinewa	312.68		312.68
*Mt. Pleasant	110.32	5.00	115.32
Muncie	105.18	15.00	120.18
Nettle Creek	762.16	85.00	847.16
New Bethel	23.08		23.08
New Hope			
Noblesville		2.50	2.50
Pyrmont	123.65	2.00	125.65
*Rossville	566.93	3.00	569.93
Sampson Hill			
Summitville			
Upper Fall Creek	35.39		35.39
White	48.91	22.40	71.31
Unallocated	8.22	24.05	32.27

26. Western Canada

*Bow Valley	286.06	7.00	293.06
Fairview			
Irricana	260.12		260.12
Merrington	18.51		18.51
*Redcliff	19.00		19.00
Second Irricana			
Vidora			
Unallocated		55.00	55.00

27. North Dakota & Eastern Montana

Berthold	12.50		12.50
*Bowden Valley		2.00	2.00
*Brumbaugh	130.28		130.28
Cando	109.22	25.00	134.22
Carrington	26.20	2.50	28.70
Egeland	44.92		44.92
Ellison	119.43		119.43
Englevale	43.90	3.00	46.90
Golden Willow			
Grand View	41.17		41.17
Kenmare	132.78		132.78
Milk River Valley	10.72		10.72
Minot	188.44		188.44
New Rockford			
*James River	8.00		8.00
Pleasant Valley			
Poplar Valley			
Ray	7.00		7.00
Salem			
Surrey	185.64		185.64
Turtle Mountain			
*Williston		5.00	5.00
Unallocated	13.94	20.00	33.94

28. Northern Illinois & Wisconsin

Ash Ridge		100.00	100.00
Batavia	91.04	13.50	104.54
Bethel	408.47	19.50	427.97
*Chelsea	61.10	7.00	68.10
Cherry Grove	194.90	1.00	195.90
Chicago	2,302.89	1,056.50	3,359.39
Chippewa Valley	43.55	20.00	63.55
*Dixon	122.10	19.80	141.90
Elgin	1,007.56	105.62	1,113.18
Franklin Grove	1,399.76	756.29	2,156.05
Freeport	69.40	3.50	72.90
Hickory Grove	66.74	18.63	85.37
*Lanark	653.11		653.11
Maple Grove	25.30		25.30
Milledgeville	429.25	46.52	475.77
Mt. Carroll	2.93	6.00	8.93
Mt. Morris	1,688.79	683.47	2,372.26
Pine Creek	85.27	35.62	120.89
Polo	220.76	229.00	449.76

Rice Lake	38.29		38.29
Rock Creek	6.80		6.80
Rockford	92.66	7.00	99.66
Shannon	101.45	6.00	107.45
Stanley	57.11	5.00	62.11
*Sterling	245.98	6.00	251.98
***Waddams Grove**	291.07	69.00	360.07
West Branch	116.41	262.00	378.41
White Rapids	119.02		119.02
Worden	24.71		24.71
*Yellow Creek	165.53	3.00	168.53
Unallocated	158.54	120.84	279.38

29. Southern Illinois

Allison Prairie	110.29	9.00	119.29
*Astoria	489.63	2.50	492.13
Big Creek	15.95	12.00	27.95
Blue Ridge	5.00	40.00	45.00
Camp Creek			
Cerro Gordo	704.92	2.00	706.92
*Champaign	20.08	40.00	60.08
Canton	32.15	5.00	37.15
Decatur	125.49	1.00	126.49
Girard	579.91	26.00	605.91
Hudson		1.00	1.00
Hurricane Creek			
Kaskaskia			
LaMotte Prairie	209.94		209.94
Liberty	44.20		44.20
Loraine			
Martin Creek	10.25		10.25
Mulberry Grove			
*Oak Grove	10.82	10.00	20.82
Oakley	184.55	4.00	188.55
Okaw	996.18	17.00	1,013.18
Panther Creek	70.41	5.00	75.41
Pleasant Grove			
Romine	51.64		51.64
Springfield	32.73		32.73
Spring Run			
Virden	624.30	75.00	699.30
Woodland	372.63	2.00	374.63
Unallocated		7.90	7.90

30. No. Iowa, Minnesota and So. Dakota

Bethel	58.41	5.25	63.66
***Curlew**	105.41	267.65	373.06
Franklin County	160.18	10.00	170.18
Greene	192.13	3.00	195.13
Hancock	50.47		50.47
Ivester	1,652.61	147.53	1,800.14
*Jewett	3.50		3.50
Kingsley	382.10	8.00	390.10
Lewistown	182.36		182.36
Maple Valley			
Minneapolis	243.79	4.50	248.29
*Monticello	63.78	40.00	103.78
*Morrill	4.50		4.50
*Nemadji	71.29	41.30	112.59
Root River	451.34	7.00	458.34
Sheldon	539.09	87.00	626.09
*Slifer	30.85	5.00	35.85
South Waterloo	2,821.67	119.06	2,940.73
*Spring Creek	114.63	10.00	124.63
Willow Creek	220.32		220.32
Winona	50.10		50.10
Worthington	97.25	6.00	103.25
Unallocated	6.87	50.71	57.58

31. Middle Iowa

Ankeny		5.00	5.00
Bagley	98.21	20.00	118.21
Beaver	10.00		10.00
Brooklyn	58.71	2.50	61.21
Cedar	175.31	10.00	185.31
Cedar Rapids	779.12	6.00	785.12
*Coon River	149.73	17.00	166.73
Dallas Center	923.03	275.00	1,198.03
Des Moines	153.51	11.27	164.78
Des Moines Valley	185.34	1.00	186.34
Dry Creek	39.01		39.01
*Fernald	11.60		11.60
Garrison	109.65	3.61	113.26
*Indian Creek	4.35	26.00	30.35
Iowa River	86.22	53.64	139.86
Maxwell	25.79	50.04	75.83
Muscatine	58.27		58.27
Panther Creek	690.58	14.45	705.03
*Prairie City	191.95	14.39	206.34
Unallocated	40.95	63.00	103.95

32. Southern Iowa

Council Bluffs	63.97	.50	64.47
English River	1,197.79	4.00	1,201.79
Fairview	215.00	8.00	223.00
Franklin	60.05	5.00	65.05
Libertyville	179.19		179.19
Monroe County	3.50		3.50
Mt. Etna	83.84		83.84
No. English	175.61	25.00	200.61
Osceola	17.73	5.00	22.73
Ottumwa	123.95	200.00	323.95
Salem	212.39	.50	212.89
South Keokuk	126.12	16.25	142.37
Unallocated		12.00	12.00

33. Nebraska

*Afton	150.52	16.65	167.17
Alvo	42.45	.50	42.95
*Arcadia	1.50		1.50
Beatrice	67.96	80.00	147.96
Bethel	604.57	20.00	624.57
Edison			
*Enders	177.03	10.00	187.03
Falls City	122.95	1.00	123.95
Juniata			
Kearney	112.03	106.50	218.53
*Lincoln	345.29	16.00	361.29
Octavia	231.55	59.05	290.60
Omaha	125.50	2.00	127.50
Red Cloud		8.50	8.50
Silver Lake	39.35	52.00	91.35
*South Beatrice	503.55	14.00	517.55
South Loup	19.20	7.00	26.20
South Red Cloud			
Unallocated	2,603.14	58.00	2,661.14

34. Northeastern Kansas.

Abilene City	130.44	13.00	143.44
*Appanoose	214.32	155.00	369.32
*Buckeye	95.09		95.09
*Calvary	37.20	.50	37.70
East Maple Grove	10.00		10.00
Holland	36.10		36.10
*Kansas City	126.08	52.50	178.58
Lawrence	30.75		30.75
*Lone Star	167.85		167.85
McLouth	134.29	5.00	139.29
Morrill	950.08	6.00	964.08
Navarre	119.87		119.87
Olathe	134.03		134.03
*Ottawa	305.94	1.00	306.94
Overbrook	194.90	2.40	197.30
*Ozawkie	94.20	1.00	95.20
Ramona	10.40	20.00	30.40
Richland Center	131.15		131.15
*Rock Creek	32.75		32.75
*Sabetha	526.35	26.00	552.35
Topeka	307.53		307.53
Wade Branch	68.36	2.37	70.73
Washington	69.76		69.76
Washington Creek	122.76		122.76
Unallocated	109.36	5.00	114.36

35. Northwestern Kansas

*Bellville	82.29	5.00	87.29
Burr Oak	66.03		66.03
Maple Grove	57.32	30.00	87.32
North Solomon	83.89		83.89
Quinter	268.57	28.50	297.07
Victor	36.80		36.80
White Rock	80.56		80.56
Unallocated	44.72		44.72

36. Southeastern Kansas

Chanute		2.00	2.00
*Fort Scott	18.95		18.95
*Fredonia	73.95	115.00	188.95
Galesburg	155.62	508.00	663.62
Grenola	9.75		9.75
Hollow	15.00	50.00	65.00
Independence	7.00	29.50	36.50
*Mont Ida	101.85		101.85
New Hope		339.00	339.00
*Osage	178.45	84.00	262.45
Paint Creek	38.32	10.00	48.32
Parsons	202.00	10.00	212.00
Scott Valley	41.70		41.70
Verdigris	24.80		24.80
Unallocated	2.00	19.00	21.00

37. Southwestern Kansas

Bloom	60.07		60.07
*Conway Springs	108.18		108.18
*East Wichita	220.01	150.00	370.01
*Eden Valley	131.02		131.02
Garden City	37.85	.50	38.35
*Hutchinson	186.63	45.00	231.63
Larned Rural	295.17	5.00	300.17
Larned City	17.67		17.67
McPherson	819.24	245.00	1,064.24
Monitor	288.19	861.00	1,149.19
Newton	18.84	17.00	35.84
Peabody	86.67	9.00	95.67
Pleasant View	49.16	32.61	81.77
Prairie View	71.23		71.23
*Royer Community	1.02		1.02
Salem	140.23	30.00	170.23
*Walnut Valley		13.25	13.25
West Wichita	143.64	20.00	163.64
Unallocated	149.69‡	106.37	43.32‡

‡Deduction by adjustment previous year.

38. Eastern Colorado

Antioch	173.16	7.50	180.66
Bethany			
Bethel			
*Colorado Springs	90.62	427.70	518.32
Denver	133.52	43.50	177.02
Haxtun	176.23	21.00	197.23
McClave	50.01	248.40	298.41
Miami	144.37		144.37
Rocky Ford	402.25	3.00	405.25
Sterling	3.75	4.00	7.75
Wiley	184.31		184.31
Unallocated		94.37	94.37

39. Western Colorado & Utah

First Grand Valley	108.19		108.19
Fruita	114.10	25.20	139.30
Grand Junction	5.50		5.50
Smith Fork			
Unallocated			

40. Okla., Panhandle Texas & New Mex.

Ames			
Bartlesville	20.10	5.00	25.10
Bethel			
Big Creek	155.28	5.00	160.28
*Clovis	127.92	5.00	132.92
Elk City			
*Guthrie	26.00	17.32	43.32
Hoyle			
Leedy			
Monitor			
Oklahoma City	9.11	10.00	19.11
Paradise Prairie		5.00	5.00
*Pleasant Home		5.00	5.00
Pleasant Plains		55.00	55.00
Prairie Lake			
Red River			
Thomas	220.74	2.00	222.74
Washita	242.32	29.50	271.82
Wawaja			
Unallocated	1.00	88.70	89.70

41. Texas & Louisiana

Falfurrias		26.80	26.80
Fort Worth	90.84		90.84
Manvel	155.67	377.00	532.67
Nocona			
Pleasant Grove			
Roanoke	386.83		386.83
*Rosepine	125.00		125.00
San Antonio			
Tomball			
Unallocated	1.00	113.15	114.15

42. Northern Missouri

Honey Creek	5.20	10.00	15.20
Log Creek			
North Bethel	164.20		164.20
North St. Joseph	65.06		65.06
Pleasant View	67.23	6.00	73.23
Rockingham	243.74		243.74
Shelby County	154.05		154.05
Smith Fork	490.16	2.00	492.16
South St. Joseph	33.42		33.42
Wakenda	200.58	10.32	210.90
Unallocated	44.02	17.00	61.02

43. Middle Missouri

Adrian	90.76	15.00	105.76
***Centerview**		105.00	105.00
Clear Fork			
Deepwater	4.00	7.00	11.00
Happy Hill	30.65	4.00	34.65
Kansas City	33.00	60.00	93.00
Mineral Creek	168.09		168.09
Osceola			
*Prairie View	141.40	21.00	162.40
South Warrensburg	470.80		470.80
Spring Branch		4.00	4.00
Turkey Creek	45.00		45.00
Warrensburg	155.92	10.00	165.92
Unallocated	33.40	23.00	56.40

44. Southwestern Missouri & Northwestern Arkansas

Cabool	83.09	5.00	88.09
Carthage	62.04	6.50	68.54
Cedar County			
Fairview	27.50	.50	28.00
Jasper	27.90	20.00	47.90
Nevada			
Oak Grove	8.25		8.25
Peace Valley	3.55		3.55
Pilot Knob			
Shoal Creek	4.35		4.35
Springdale	32.05	13.00	45.05
Unallocated		58.00	58.00

45. First Arkansas & Southeastern Missouri

Austin		2.00	2.00
Bodcaw			
Broadwater	182.00		182.00
Carlisle			
New Hope			
Poplar Bluff			
Unallocated		12.00	12.00

46. Northern California

Butte Valley	2.65		2.65
Chico	15.55		15.55
Chowchilla	52.52		52.52
Codora			
Elk Creek	17.07		17.07
Empire	763.44	45.00	808.44
*Figarden	99.73	5.00	104.73
Fresno	7.00	10.00	17.00
Laton	256.60	50.00	306.60
*Lindsay	639.11	86.00	725.11
Live Oak	131.07	.50	131.57
McFarland	440.40	21.00	461.40
Modesto	189.23	5.00	194.23
Oakland	454.52	15.00	469.52
Patterson	83.48		83.48
Raisin	97.44		97.44
Reedley	131.80	1.50	133.30
Rio Linda	15.15		15.15
*Waterford	137.91	50.00	187.91
Unallocated	51.42	38.90	90.32

47. Southern California & Arizona

Belvedere	86.69		86.69
Calvary	537.21	40.00	577.21
Covina	599.88	95.00	694.88
East San Diego	118.93		118.93
Glendale	219.12		219.12
Glendora	346.80	4.50	351.30
Hemet	169.66		169.66
Hermosa Beach	156.04		156.04
Inglewood	218.07	13.00	231.07
La Verne	2,327.36	654.00	2,981.36
Long Beach	619.92	102.00	721.92
Los Angeles, First	694.96	48.00	742.96
Pasadena	1,804.92	39.50	1,844.42
Phoenix Mission	77.32		77.32
Pomona	169.07	2.00	171.07
*Santa Ana	120.27	10.00	130.27
San Bernardino	28.67	21.00	49.67
Tropico			
Unallocated	340.00	128.06	468.06

48. Idaho & Western Montana

*Boise Valley	277.90	5.00	282.90
Bowmont	81.32		81.32

Clearwater		2.50	2.50
Emmett	47.50	5.00	52.50
Fruitland	192.65	5.50	198.15
Kalispell	18.50		18.50
Moscow	38.60		38.60
*Nampa	304.62	44.50	349.12
Nezperce	334.70	25.00	359.70
Payette Valley	50.60	12.65	63.25
Twin Falls	106.75		106.75
*Weiser	80.31		80.31
Winchester	326.13	1.00	327.13
Unallocated	23.30	25.00	48.30

49. Oregon

Albany	45.37		45.37
*Ashland	62.25		62.25
Bandon	14.00		14.00
Grants Pass	80.85	5.50	86.35
Mabel	175.60	25.00	200.60
Myrtle Point	48.72	5.48	54.20
*Newberg	80.05		80.05
Portland	70.63	5.00	75.63
Weston	15.00	18.00	33.00
Unallocated	5.00	3.00	8.00

50. Washington

Forest Center	8.50		8.50
Mt. Hope	63.09		63.09
*North Spokane	59.04	76.95	135.99
Okanogan Valley	16.40	10.00	26.40
Olympia	84.59	92.00	176.59
Omak	55.75	40.00	95.75
Outlook	206.64	7.50	214.14
Richland Valley	42.50		42.50
*Seattle	208 88		208 88
Spokane	5.00		5.00
Stiverson			
Sunnyside	315.29	2.00	317.29
*Tacoma	118.83	3.00	121.83
Wenatchee	36.69	130.50	167 19
Wenatchee Park	6.46		6.46
Wenatchee Valley	185.86	161.00	346 86
Whitestone	18.85	5.00	23 85
Yakima	283.72	20.00	303.72
Unallocated	2 00	11.00	13.00

BULSAR NOTES FOR APRIL

Jennie Mohler

The time of year is here when one needs an extra supply of urge and will power to keep one going steadily, because of the lack of energy that one feels. It is easier to just do nothing than to make the effort to get something accomplished. However, we are having extra nice and cool weather for the hot season. So far the nights have been very comfortable and we have not minded the heat. There are indications of an early monsoon and all the people say the rains will come early, so we are busy with preparations for them. Old buildings are being repaired and new roofs put on where needed and the tiles are being turned and cleaned up.

The missionary force at Bulsar seems much depleted since the departure for furlough of the Wagoners and Miss Kintner, and of Mrs. Blickenstaff to Landour to put the boys in school. The ones who remain have taken on additional duties, and some work has been shifted to the Indian men. All together they are trying to keep thing progressing.

On Good Friday we had a nice, quiet, spiritual, uplifting love feast, conducted entirely by our Indian ministers. We could not see that things were any different from what they were when there were missionaries to help in the preparation and carrying out of detail. It was the first time our elders here have officiated at Bulsar without the presence of one of the missionary elders. Previously there had been meetings each evening, conducted by the pastor, who is also the presiding elder.

We seem to be surrounded on all sides by diseases of various kinds. Just around us here at Bulsar smallpox is quite prevalent, and many people have come down with it. In some parts there is cholera, but so far our Christian people have been spared. We have taken the extra precaution to vaccinate for smallpox all those who had not been inoculated, and many others were revaccinated, the missionaries included. The Hindus consider that smallpox is a visitation of the very best god there is, and they are highly favored by this visitation. They will not under any circumstances try to hinder this visitation or alleviate the disease when once they have contracted it. They never call in a doctor, nor take medicine of any kind, nor try to prevent infection of others. Consequently when one has the disease there is no effort made to keep others away from the patient, so the disease is spread through all the community. At Khergam, fifteen miles east of Bulsar, where Miss Shumaker has her little boarding-school for girls, it is very prevalent and many succumb to the disease. They can see the corpses of the victims being carried out every day, past the house where she lives. When they die from the disease they think it is because the god is angry with them for some great sin they have committed and that he is avenging his wrath on them by death. The disease is checked to a great degree by the government having regular vaccinators, who go through all the villages regularly and vaccinate all the babies they can find out about. When people have had one good, successful vaccination they are not so apt to contract the disease for the rest of their lives, even though they are never vaccinated again. Government furnishes the vaccine free and pays the doctor, so there is no expense attached to the "operation."

In January Miss Shumaker had the family move out to Khergam, that is in charge of the new boarding-school for girls there. When they went they took with them one little girl who had been in the school at Jalalpor from out in that district. Within forty days so many girls had arrived that they had more than the full quota for this year, which is twenty girls. The day Bro. Bonsack and Bro. Yoder were out to visit the school there were only two lacking to make up the full number, but five new ones came asking for admittance. Now who was to say which two could stay and which three must go? No one felt like turning them away, so they took in the five. Later, during one of the great holidays of the Hindus, when they went home for this holiday, some of them failed to return, so now there are twenty-one. But in the meantime two of the girls took sick and were immediately sent home, since they all want to be at home when there is any sickness, and by no means do they wish to die away from home. These two little girls became ill at the same time, and the day after they were taken home, they died at the

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GENERAL STATISTICS OF GIVING FOR YEAR ENDED FEBRUARY 28, 1927

1. Summary of Giving by Districts, Quotas, and Classification of Membership as to Giving

District	Congregational Credit	Individuals Gave	Total Credit	Quotas Assigned	Total Membership	Members Giving per Capita: Nothing	Under $1.00	$1.00 to $2.14	$2.15 to $4.99	$5.00 or more
1. Florida and Georgia	$ 851.51	$ 768.00	$ 1,619.51	$ 2,500	418	7	176	40	15	180
2. No. & So. Carolina	23.61	22.00	45.61	1,000	965	651	314			
3. Tennessee	726.08	276.15	1,002.23	2,500	2,024	565	1,186	200	73	
4. Southern Virginia	747.20	316.66	1,063.86	3,500	3,700	672	2,686	342		
5. First Virginia	2,522.28	427.81	2,950.09	6,500	3,801	377	2,048	1,315	61	
6. Eastern Virginia	1,454.87	202.40	1,657.27	3,000	1,853	219	1,256	251	137	
7. Second Virginia	6,156.70	1,632.04	7,788.74	10,000	4,744	453	2,526	375	1,390	
8. Northern Virginia	6,585.13	357.23	6,942.36	9,000	5,178	2,295	879	2,004		
9. First West Virginia	2,160.58	308.75	2,469.33	3,500	2,436	262	1,095	607	472	
10. Second West Virginia	32.90	106.90	139.80	600	456	256	160	40		
11. Eastern Maryland	8,501.23	577.50	9,078.73	11,500	3,326		462	1,377	1,175	312
12. Middle Maryland	6,165.39	339.00	6,504.39	8,000	3,119		350	2,549	95	125
13. Western Maryland	471.98	73.55	545.53	800	701	183	293	94	131	
14. S. E. Pa., N. J. & N. Y.	7,121.63	259.12	7,380.75	12,000	2,933	30	480	1,182	941	300
15. Middle Pennsylvania	12,268.10	2,887.70	15,155.80	21,000	8,237	378	1,986	3,650	1,568	655
16. Western Pennsylvania	14,219.43	684.97	14,904.40	21,000	10,592	212	5,706	2,232	2,395	47
17. Eastern Pennsylvania	28,281.15	3,543.55	31,824.70	32,000	7,888		153	2,012	3,852	1,871
18. Southern Pennsylvania	9,908.96	1,338.00	11,246.96	18,500	5,188	54	2,334	1,381	635	784
19. Northeastern Ohio	11,601.83	1,483.25	13,085.08	16,000	3,939	16	607	573	2,356	387
20. Northwestern Ohio	5,084.17	575.77	5,659.94	9,000	2,245		433	897	833	82
21. Southern Ohio	15,118.87	1,217.00	16,335.87	21,000	8,672	69	3,023	2,818	2,446	316
22. Michigan	3,473.56	365.92	3,839.48	5,500	1,870		726	581	464	99
23. Northern Indiana	15,019.94	891.85	15,911.79	19,000	5,531	190	495	1,511	2,759	576
24. Middle Indiana	13,948.90	880.69	14,829.59	21,000	5,529	24	843	1,592	1,907	1,163
25. Southern Indiana	4,495.79	277.81	4,773.60	9,000	2,803	85	1,233	317	1,168	
26. Western Canada	583.69	62.00	645.69	700	431	107	82	129	113	
27. No. Dakota & E. Montana	1,074.14	57.50	1,131.64	1,500	866	150	451	69	196	
28. No. Illinois & Wisconsin	10,290.49	3,600.79	13,891.28	21,000	3,867		669	645	1,175	1,378
29. Southern Illinois	4,691.07	259.40	4,950.47	9,000	2,368	205	327	959	668	209
30. No. Ia., Minn. & S. Dak.	7,502.65	812.00	8,314.65	12,000	2,303	5	261	575	457	1,005
31. Middle Iowa	3,791.33	572.90	4,364.23	7,500	1,427		318	497	337	275
32. Southern Iowa	2,459.14	276.25	2,735.39	3,250	905		185	177	390	153
33. Nebraska	5,146.59	451.20	5,597.79	4,000	1,487	184	58	664	581	
34. Northeastern Kansas	4,167.56	289.77	4,457.33	6,000	1,860		366	394	1,081	19
35. Northwestern Kansas	720.18	63.50	783.68	1,500	930		718	212		
36. Southeastern Kansas	1,166.50	869.39	2,035.89	1,500	765		364	154	196	51
37. Southwestern Kansas	2,525.13	1,534.73	4,059.86	5,000	1,759		256	770	596	137
38. Eastern Colorado	1,358.22	849.47	2,207.69	3,200	1,307	39	314	562	392	
39. Western Colorado	227.79	25.20	252.99	650	277	30	20	227		
40. Okla. P. T. & N. Mex.	802.47	227.52	1,029.99	1,700	843	203	199	326	115	
41. Texas & Louisiana	759.34	516.95	1,276.29	1,200	469	190		78	143	58
42. Northern Missouri	1,467.66	45.32	1,512.98	3,000	979	5	359	348	267	
43. Middle Missouri	1,173.02	249.00	1,422.02	2,000	728	34	442	105	74	73

44. S. W. Mo. & N. W. Ark.	248.73	103.00	351.73	2,000	527	20	463	104		
45. First Ark. & S. E. Mo.	182.00	14.00	196.00	450	221	105	37		79	
46. Northern California	3,586.09	327.90	3,913.99	6,000	1,789	10	381	512	886	
47. So. Calif. & Ariz.	8,634.89	1,157.06	9,791.95	12,000	2,793	20	168	795	1,372	438
48. Idaho & W. Montana	1,882.88	126.15	2,009.03	2,800	803		161	402	77	163
49. Oregon	597.47	61.98	659.45	2,000	463		241	171	34	17
50. Washington	1,718.09	558.95	2,277.04	4,500	1,441		733	175	462	63
Unallocated	52.79	2,475.66	2,528.45	4,500	1,441	8	733	175	462	63
	$243,751.70	$ 35,401.21	$279,152.91	$381,850	129,766	8,313	38,963	36,990	34,513	10,987

* Average giving per member of the entire Brotherhood.

2. Summary Classification of Comparative Giving

Giving	Congregations Number	Membership	%	Gave	%	Average in each group
$5.00 or more	69	10,987	8.5	$ 74,656.70	26.8	$ 6.80
$2.15* to $4.99	253	34,513	26.5	118,573.85	42.5	3.44
$1.00 to $2.14	246	36,990	28.5	53,664.95	19.2	1.45
Under $1.00	357	38,963	30.1	19,315.74	6.9	.49
Nothing	148	8,313	6.4			
Unallocated general and district giving	1,073	129,766	100.%	$266,211.24		
				12,941.67	4.6	
				$279,152.91	100.%	

3. Congregations Giving $5 or More Per Member

New Hope, S. E. Kansas	8 $42.38*
Maiden Creek, Eastern Pennsylvania	68 29.69*
May Hill, Southern Ohio	16 24.06*
Galesburg, S. E. Kansas	43 15.43*
Sugar Ridge, Northwestern Ohio	2 12.50*
Pleasant View, Middle Maryland	125 12.29
Freeburg, Northeastern Ohio	60 12.18
Mabel, Oregon	17 11.80
Cedar Rapids, Middle Iowa	70 11.22
Cedar, Middle Iowa	18 10.30
South Warrensburg, Middle Missouri	49 9.61
LaMotte Prairie, Southern Illinois	22 9.54
Manvel, Texas & Louisiana	58 9.18*
Middlebury, Northern Indiana	113 8.97*
Curlew, No. Iowa, Minn. & S. D.	42 8.88*
Palmyra, Eastern Pennsylvania	323 8.85
Franklin Grove, No. Ill. & Wis.	248 8.69
Monitor, S. W. Kansas	137 8.39*
Royersford, S. E. Pennsylvania	116 8.29
Waynesboro, Southern Pennsylvania	469 8.26*
Indian Creek, Eastern Pennsylvania	127 8.18
Sheldon, No. Iowa, Minn. & S. D.	78 8.03
English River, Southern Iowa	153 7.85
Rock Run, Northern Indiana	107 7.80
Harrisburg, Eastern Pennsylvania	194 7.49*
Blue River, Northern Indiana	40 7.48
Owl Creek, Northeastern Ohio	129 7.48
First Los Angeles, Southern Calif.	100 7.43
McLouth, N. E. Kansas	19 7.33
Sebring, Florida & Georgia	180 7.23*
Ash Ridge, No. Ill. & Wis.	14 7.14*
Centerview, Middle Missouri	15 7.00*
Nampa, Idaho & Western Montana	50 6.98
Maxwell, Middle Iowa	11 6.89*
Shepherd, Michigan	59 6.85
Meadow Branch, Eastern Maryland	312 6.81
Ephrata, Eastern Pennsylvania	316 6.77
Pipe Creek, Middle Indiana	122 6.75
Springfield, Northeastern Ohio	122 6.66*
Nezperce, Idaho & Western Montana	55 6.54
Mingo, Eastern Pennsylvania	116 6.47
Huntington, Middle Pennsylvania	655 6.42*
Wooster, Northeastern Ohio	76 6.33
Harmonyville, Southeastern Pa.	67 6.26
Dallas Center, Middle Iowa	176 6.23
Plymouth, Northern Indiana	100 5.91
Elizabethtown, Eastern Pennsylvania	486 5.90
Chicago, No. Ill. & Wis.	576 5.83
Ivester, No. Iowa, Minn. & S. D.	310 5.81
New Paris, Northern Indiana	140 5.80
Winchester, Idaho & Western Montana	58 5.64
Wakarusa, Northern Indiana	76 5.62
Elmdale, Michigan	40 5.62
Lick Creek, Northwestern Ohio	80 5.57
Parkerford, S. E. Pa., N. J. & N. Y.	117 5.56
Manchester, Middle Indiana	948 5.53
Bear Creek, Southern Ohio	192 5.47
Pasadena, So. Calif. & Ariz.	338 5.46
Richland, Eastern Pennsylvania	191 5.45
Upper Conewago, Southern Pa.	315 5.43*
Okaw, Southern Illinois	187 5.42
Penn Run, Western Pennsylvania	47 5.32
Clear Creek, Middle Indiana	93 5.21
Waddams Grove, No. Ill. & Wis.	70 5.14
So. Waterloo, No. Iowa, Minn. & S. D.	575 5.11
Mt. Morris, No. Ill. & Wis.	470 5.05
Lower Stillwater, Southern Ohio	108 5.04
Turkey Creek, Middle Missouri	9 5.00
Sunnyside, Washington	63 5.03

*This average exceeded $5.00 only through the known extra large contributions of one or more individuals.

4. Giving per Capita by District and General Classification of Giving

District	Average per cont. member, 1921	Average per cont. member, 1922	Average per cont. member, 1923	Average per cont. member, 1924	Average per cont. member, 1925	Average per cont. member, 1926	Total No. Churches	Churches Contributing: Nothing	Under $25	$25 to $200	Over $200
1. Florida and Georgia	$	$	$	$	$5.82	$3.87	10	2	3	4	1
2. N. C. & S. Carolina					.35	.05	19	15	3	1	
3. Tennessee	.71	.58	.94	.39	.61	.50	31	13	6	12	
4. Southern Virginia	.54	.51	.68	.34	.48	.29	27	10	7	8	2
5. First Virginia	1.34	1.66	1.31	1.17	1.41	.78	31	9	8	10	4
6. Eastern Virginia	1.38	1.24	1.18	1.34	1.13	.89	18	6	5	4	3
7. Second Virginia	1.63	2.01	1.90	2.41	2.11	1.64	22	4	5	6	7
8. Northern Virginia	1.12	1.30	1.38	1.56	1.38	1.34	21		7	4	10
9. First West Virginia	.90	.71	1.01	1.18	.89	1.01	18	5	5	6	2
10. Second West Virginia	.34	.08	3.42	.27	.21	.31	10	7	2	1	
11. Eastern Maryland	2.58	2.92	3.19	3.16	2.83	2.73	19		2	7	10
12. Middle Maryland	2.43	2.31	2.53	2.33	1.98	2.09	11		1	3	7
13. Western Maryland	.62	.30	1.02	1.31	.83	.78	8	3	2	2	1
14. S. E. Penna., N. J. & N. Y.	2.63	2.13	3.94	2.58	2.94	2.52	18	1	2	5	10
15. Middle Pennsylvania	2.30	1.73	2.18	2.01	2.02	1.84	38	3	3	15	17
16. Western Pennsylvania	1.83	1.53	1.93	1.75	1.95	1.41	57	6	7	23	21
17. Eastern Pennsylvania	2.64	2.56	3.23	3.12	3.74	4.04	38			5	33
18. Southern Pennsylvania	1.83	1.82	2.42	2.21	2.42	2.17	27	1		14	12
19. Northeastern Ohio	2.86	3.19	2.99	3.58	3.15	3.32	35	1	5	8	21
20. Northwestern Ohio	3.85	3.13	3.83	2.98	3.16	2.52	28		5	14	9
21. Southern Ohio	2.21	2.28	2.19	2.01	1.91	1.88	57	5	9	15	28
22. Michigan	2.28	.09	2.15	2.68	2.40	2.05	27		5	17	5
23. Northern Indiana	2 41	2.41	2.74	2.61	3.15	2.88	52	4	4	18	26
24. Middle Indiana	2.72	2.35	2.93	3.08	3.41	2.68	43	1	7	18	17
25. Southern Indiana	2.35	1.67	2.09	1.78	2.01	1.70	27	3	4	13	7
26. Western Canada	1.92	3.80	1.52	1.90	2.96	1.50	7	3	2		2
27. North Dakota & Eastern Montana	.69	.91	1.43	1.21	1.36	1.31	22	6	6	10	
28. Northern Illinois & Wisconsin	4.34	4.97	5.34	4.27	4.48	3.59	30		3	16	11
29. Southern Illinois	2.75	2.59	2.76	2.10	2.38	2.09	28	7	3	11	7
30. Northern Iowa, Minnesota & S. Dakota	4.02	3.68	4.94	4.08	4.42	3.61	22	1	2	11	8
31. Middle Iowa	3.99	2.84	4.17	3.18	4.67	3.06	19		3	11	5
32. Southern Iowa	3.05	3.98	2.78	3.23	2.76	3.02	12		2	5	5
33. Nebraska	2.64	2.63	2.23	1.70	1.98	3.76	18	3	2	8	5
34. Northeastern Kansas	3.02	1.89	2.74	2.66	2.40	2.40	24		1	18	5
35. Northwestern Kansas	2.50	1.09	1.41	1.40	1.32	.84	7			6	1
36. Southeastern Kansas	2.15	2.17	1.67	1.75	1.44	2.66	14		4	6	4
37. Southwestern Kansas	2.92	3.31	2.30	3.11	2.74	2.31	18		3	10	5
38. Eastern Colorado					1.91	1.69	11	2	1	5	3
39. Western Colorado	.53	.52	.47	1.42	1.29	.91	4	1	1	2	
40. Okla., P. Tex. & New Mexico	1.79	1.17	1.37	1.66	1.60	1.22	19	9	3	5	2
41. Texas & Louisiana	.80	.82	1.96	2.42	3.12	2.72	9	4		3	2
42. Northern Missouri	2.33	1.82	1.59	2.17	1.80	1.54	10	1	1	5	3
43. Middle Missouri	2.00	2.30	2.03	1.74	1.54	1.95	13	2	2	7	2
44. Southwestern Missouri & N. W. Arkansas	.90	.71	1.06	2.23	.87	.67	11	3	3	5	
45. First Arkansas & S. E. Missouri	.65	.94	2.28	2.64	2.82	.89	6	4	1	1	
46. Northern California	2 42	1.96	2.67	2.06	2.29	2.19	19	1	5	8	5
47. Southern California & Arizona	5.90	4.23	5.49	3.66	5.13	3.51	18	1		8	9
48. Idaho & Western Montana	2.19	1.67	2.20	2.61	2.76	2.50	13		2	7	4
49. Oregon	2.92	2.61	3.56	2.53	1.77	1.42	9		1	7	1
50. Washington	1.66	1.61	2.60	1.92	1.97	1.58	18	1	4	8	5
Average of entire Brotherhood							1,073	148	162	416	347
Average necessary to raise Budget	$2.35	$2.19	$2.50	$2.35	$2.44	$2.15					
	4.78	2.99	3.85	2.78	3.10	2.94					

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same hour of the same day, though they were living in villages some distance apart. One of the girls, though so little, gave a wonderful testimony of what she had learned while in the school, though there only for a few weeks. She told her father and the family that Jesus was calling her and she was going to be with him. It has been a means of teaching the ones who remain a wonderful lesson of how Jesus loves them and cares for them. There are more asking to come in the boarding-school, but it is full, and no more can be taken in this year. About forty-five are in the day school. Once a month Miss Shumaker holds a teachers' meeting for the benefit of the teachers out in the village schools. Usually it is held out at Khergam. Some of them have to walk as far as fifteen and twenty miles, but it is required that they come. There they are shown methods of teaching, and taught songs and prayers and the Bible verses that are good to teach the children. Each time they have a Bible lesson and strong Bible teaching, for some of them know so little or next to nothing of the Bible. Some of them have not yet been baptized, and some have been baptized since they began teaching in the mission schools. Sunday-schools have been started in a number of the villages and the people seem glad to

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FINANCIAL REPORT

Conference Offering, 1927. As of May 31, 1927, the Conference (Budget) offering for the year ending February 29, 1928, stands as follows:
Cash received since March 1, 1927 .....$41,888.62

(The 1927 Budget of $408,300.00 is 10.3% raised, whereas it should be 24.9%).

Mission Board Treasury Statement. The following shows the condition of mission finances on May 31, 1927:
Income since March 1, 1927 .....$51,103.10
Income same period last year 53 411.30
Expense since March 1, 1927 ..... 84,683.13
Expense same period last year 65.338.25
Mission deficit May 31, 1927 ..... 42,464.64
Mission deficit April 30, 1927 ..... 26 049.12
Increase in deficit for May, 1927 ..... 16,415.52

Tract Distribution: During the month of April the Board sent out 1,338 Doctrinal tracts.

Correction No. 3: See April, 1926, Visitor—under World-Wide Mission credit of $25 as to Christian Endeavor, Trotwood, So. Ohio, should instead have appeared under China Share Plan.

Correction No. 4: See April, 1927, Visitor—under World-Wide Fund credit of $.50 to G. G. Canfield, No. Ill. has since been refunded.

Correction No. 5: See March, 1927, Visitor—under China Girls' School credit of $25 to Kenmare S. S., N. Dak., should instead have appeared under China Share Plan.

Correction No. 6: See May, 1926, Visitor—under China Share Plan. Credit of $12.50 to "Sunshine Class," Palmyra, Pa., should instead be a credit to India Share Plan.

Correction No. 7: See June, 1927, Visitor—under China Share Plan. Credit of $12.50 to "Sunshine Class" Palmyra, Pa., should instead be a credit to India Share Plan.

Correction No. 8: See October, 1926, Visitor—under India Boarding School, credit of $28.25 to Ridgely, E. Pa., should instead be a credit to India Share Plan.

April Receipts: The following contributions for the various funds were received during April:

WORLD-WIDE MISSIONS

Africa—$40.00
Indv.: No. 97167, ...$ 40.00

Arizona—$24.83
S. S.: Glendale, ... 24.83

California—$ 2.68
No. Dist., Cong.: Macdoel (Butte Valley) $4.80; C. F. Carroll (Oakland) $1; S. W. Fahnestock (Oakland) $7.50; A. D. Sollenberger (M. N.) (McFarland) $.50; S. S.: Elk Creek, $4.38; Live Oak, $4.50; Empire, $.0.. 32.68
So. Dist., Cong.: Pomona, $5; Missionary Society (Long Beach) $5, ... 10.00

Canada—$9.00
S. S.: "Alpha Leaders' Mission Study Class" (Fairview), ... 9.00

Colorado—$20.00
E. Dist., Aid Soc.: Haxtun, $11.50; Rocky Ford, $8.50, ... 20.00

Florida—$7.85
Cong.: Seneca, ... 7.85

Idaho—$5.00
Cong.: John B. Lehman (Nezperce), ... 5.00

Illinois—$369.43
No. Dist., Cong.: Naperville, $6.29; Mt. Morris, $8.25; Franklin Grove, $95.63; Batavia, $6.62; Cherry Grove, $155.83; D. C. McGonigle (Sterling) $10; S. S.: Sterling, $6.01; Rockford, $8.93, ... 297.56
So. Dist., Cong.: La Motte Prairie, $10.72; Girard, $25.24; Champaign, $16.75; Virden, $4.71; Romine, $3.45; B. Y. P. D.: Allison Prairie, $11, ... 71.87

Indiana—$212.30
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Salamonie, $24.70; Clear Creek, $9.38; S. S.: Markle, $7.80; Salamonie, $27.40, ... 69.28
No. Dist., Cong.: Blue River, $14; Blissville, $20.50; Oak Grove, $12.36; Bremen, $17.90; Elkhart Valley, $18.88; Cleveland Union Church, $17; No. Liberty, $16.38; Estella Myers (Elkhart) $10; Y. P. D.: Elkhart City, $10, ... 137.02
So. Dist., Cong.: Buck Creek, ... 6.00

Iowa—$59.72
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Cedar, $2.97; Mrs. Alice B. Snyder (Cedar Rapids) $25; Aid Soc.: "Helping Hand" (Iowa River) $1.90, ... 29.87
No. Dist., S. S.: Spring Creek, ... 10.75
So. Dist., Cong.: Dr. Lawrence A. Miller (No. English) $10; S. S.: Franklin, $5.22; Council Bluffs, $3.88, ... 19.10

Kansas—$81.47
No. E. Dist., Cong.: Ottawa, $4; Mrs. Anna Royer (Wade Branch) $10; S. S.: Olathe, $7.99; Aid Soc.: Richland Center, $20, ... 41.99
S. E. Dist., Indv.: J. M. Stutsman 4.00
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Garden City, $2; Prairie View, $31.48; Clara T. Brandt (McPherson) $2, ... 35.48

Louisiana—$9.47
S. S.: Roanoke, ... 9.47

Maryland—$99.83
E. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Abram Pool (Bush Creek) $5; Mrs. A. W. Ecker (Thurmont) $10; S. S.: Blue Ridge College (Pipe Creek) $32.83, ... 47.83
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Brownsville, $10.35; Susie Rowland (Hagerstown) $6; Aid Soc.: Maugansville (Broadfording) $20, ... 36.35
W. Dist., Cong.: Bear Creek, $10; Georges' Creek, $5.65, ... 15.65

Michigan—$30.29
Cong.: Zion, $1.79; Shepherd, $12; Thornapple, $4; Elmdale, $7.50; Mary M. Nevinger (Hart) $5, ... 30.29

Minnesota—$18.21
S. S.: Lewiston, $8.21; Indv.: Z. A. Johnson & Wife, $10, ... 18.21

Missouri—$16.19
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Elda Gauss (Centerview), ... 5.00
No. Dist., S. S.: Wakenda, ... 11.19

Nebraska—$43.51
Cong.: Omaha, $1.61; Octavia, $4.65; Enders, $14.77; Alvo, $10; S. S.: Lincoln, $2.75; Enders, $.73; Afton, $5; Aid Soc.: Enders, $4, ... 43.51

North Dakota—$3.10
S. S. Egeland, ... 3.10

Ohio—$231.44
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Ashland City, $48.70; No. 97407 (Zion Hill) $4.50; Mrs. Frank Leatherman (Mt. Zion) $2; A. H. Miller (M. N.) (Reading) $.50; S. S.: Owl Creek, $9.97; E. Chippewa, $12.61; Aid Soc.: Kent, $12.50, ... 90.78
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Sugar Creek, $10.49; Dupont, $10.83; Aid Soc.: Silver Creek, $8.59; 29.91
So. Dist., Cong.: Bear Creek, $8.62; Union City, $4.55; Pleasant Valley, $.55; Poplar Grove, $.10; Pitsburg, $16.03; Beech Grove, $5.10; Marble Furnace, $3; John T. Moll (Constance) $5; Van B. Wright (E. Dayton) $.50; S. S.: Harris Creek, $8.47; Castine, $8; Ft. McKinley, $7.11; Pleasant Hill,

$17.72; Greenville, $14; Aid Soc.: Springfield, $10, ... 110.75

Oklahoma—$15.00
Indv.: Sarah Latimer, ... 15.00

Oregon—$13.00
Cong.: Mabel, $10; S. S.: Ashland, $3, .. 13.00

Pennsylvania—$1,434.70
E. Dist., Cong.: Mingo, $207.38; West Conestoga, $70.12; Mountville, $43; Mechanic Grove, $20; Hatfield, $127.75; E. Fairview, $36.25; Annville, $34; Spring Grove, $22.70; Ridgely, $28.14; Chas. H. Miller (Ambler) $2; Unknown donor (Elizabethtown) $1; S. S.: E. Fairview, $35.67; So. Annville (Annville) $26.86; Annville, $10; Zieglers' (Little Swatara) $10.10; Mountville, $48.34; Indian Creek, $48.59; Hatfield, $44.20; Shuberts' (Little Swatara) $8; E. Petersburg, $12.13; Myerstown, $10; Heidelberg, $13.88; Ephrata, $31.32; "Gleaners" Class" (Akron) $5; Spring Creek, $1.70; Aid Soc.: Lake Ridge, $2.75; Indv.: Paul D. Wenger (M. N.) $.50, ... 902.38
Mid. Dist., Cong.. Germany Valley (Aughwick) $6.41; Spring Run, $15; Dry Valley, $59.45; Roaring Spring, $19.60; Lewistown, $59.13; 28th St. Altoona, $25; Mary A. Kinsey (Dunnings Creek) $20; S. S.: James Creek, $5.64; "Philathea Class" (Tyrone) $50; Cherry Lane, $5.72; Maitland (Dry Valley) $7.74; Rockhill (Aughwick) $10.20; Sugar Run (Aughwick) $3.64; Aid Soc.: Curryville (Woodbury) $8; Women's Missionary Soc.: First Altoona, $3, ... 298.53
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Germantown, $108.59; Miss S. E. Beck (Germantown-Phila.) $5; S. S.: Quakertown (Springfield) $29.72; Norristown, $14.22, ... 157.53
So. Dist., Cong.: York, $2; Pleasant Hill, $4; Flora M. Dicks (Upper Conewago) $5; S. S.: Melrose (Upper Codorus) $7.12; New Fairview, $17.15; Pleasant Hill (Codorus) $2.85; Aid Soc.: Brick Church (Germantown) $5.50, ... 43.62
W. Dist., Cong.: County Line (Indian Creek) $5.10; Harry W. Brilhart (Montgomery) $5; Susie McKeown (Rockton) $10; S. S.: "Truth Seekers" Class (Meyersdale) $10; Diamondville (Manor) $2.54, ... 32.64

South Dakota—$2.50
S. S.: Willow Creek, ... 2.50

Texas—$5.00
Indv.: Maud Stump, ... 5.00

Virginia—$319.55
First Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Sallie E. Pursley (Mt. Joy), ... 3.50
No. Dist., Aid Soc.: Montezuma (Beaver Creek) $5; Western (Mill Creek) $8, ... 13.00
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Sangerville, $26.86; Geo. R. Robertson (Chimney Run) $2; S. S.: Sangerville, $15.54; Bridgewater, $31.65; Aid Soc.: Barren Ridge, $25; Claytortown (Buena Vista) $2, ... 103.05
So. Dist., Cong.: C. R. Faw & Wife (Fraternity), ... 200.00

Washington—$7.81
Cong.: Okanogan Valley, $.50; S. S.: Mt. Hope, $7.31, ... 7.81

West Virginia—$5.00
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Gertrude Brown (Valley River), ... 5.00

Wisconsin—$7.63
Cong.: Rice Lake, $3.13; Aid Soc.: Stanley, $2.50; Indv.: Mrs. Phoebe Barber, $2, ... 7.63

Total for the month, ... $ 3,134.51
Total previously reported, ... 4,669.31

$ 7,803.82
Correction No. 3, ... 25.00
Correction No. 4, ... .50

Total for the year, ... $7,778.32

STUDENT FELLOWSHIP FUND—1926-1927

Pennsylvania—$500.00
Mid. Dist., Student Volunteers of Juniata College, ... $ 500.00

Total for the month, ... $ 500.00
Total previously reported, ... 122.50

Total for the year, ... $ 622.50

AID SOCIETY FOREIGN MISSION FUND

California—$75.00
So. Dist., Aid Societies, ... $ 75.00

Illinois—$49.00
No. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 49.00

Indiana—$69.50
Mid. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 69.50

Iowa—$82.00
So. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 82.00

Kansas—$107.00
N. W. Dist., Aid Soc.: Quinter, ... 20.00
S. E. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 75.00
S. W. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 12.00

Minnesota—$10.00
Aid Soc.: Hancock, ... 10.00

Missouri—$55.00
S. W. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 55.00

Ohio—$586.55
N. E. Dist., Aid Societies, $275.96; Aid Soc.: W. Nimishillen, $8.84, ... 284.80
N. W. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 81.75
So. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 220.00

Virginia—$241.00
No. Dist., Aid Soc.: Garber's Church (Cooks Creek) $10; Aid Societies, $25, ... 35.00
Sec. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 206.00

Total for the month, ... $ 1,275.05
Total previously reported, ... 371.07

Total for the year, ... $ 1,646.12

HOME MISSIONS

Illinois—$1.30
No. Dist., Cong.: Mt. Morris, ... $ 1.30

Kansas—$25.00
N. E. Dist., S. S.: "Servants of the Master" Class, Morrill, ... 25.00

Maryland—$10.00
W. Dist., S. S.: Cherry Grove, ... 10.00

Missouri—$6.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Broadwater, ... 6.00

Pennsylvania—$11.00
E. Dist., Aid Soc.: Lititz, ... 10.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Mary E. Bixler (York), 1.00

Virginia—$1.66
E. Dist., S. S.: Drainsville (Fairfax), ... 1.66

Total for the month, ... $ 54.96
Total previously reported, ... 26.31

Total for the year, ... $ 81.27

GREENE COUNTY, VIRGINIA, MISSION

Pennsylvania—$22.83
E. Dist., Cong.: Spring Grove, ... $ 22.83

Virginia—$18.00
E. Dist., Mission Board, ... 18.00

Total for the month, ... $ 40.83
Total previously reported, ... 13.00

Total for the year, ... $ 53.83

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Maryland—$18.50
W. Dist., Cong.: Cherry Grove, $8.50; S. S.: Cherry Grove, $10, ... 18.50

Ohio—$67.09
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Unknown donor (Black River), ... 10.00
So. Dist., Cong.: N. W. Binkley (Pitsburg) $50; S. S.: Middletown, $7.09, ... 57.09

Pennsylvania—$303.85
E. Dist., Cong.: A Member (Spring Creek), 300.00
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Harmonyville, ... 3.85

Sweden—$12.05
Cong.: Simrishamn, ... 12.05

Total for the month, ... $ 401.49
Total previously reported, ... 512.87

Total for the year, ... $ 914.36

JUNIOR LEAGUE—1926

Idaho—$4.83
S. S.: Winchester, ... $ 4.83

Kansas—$6.80
N. W. Dist., S. S.: Primary & Junior Depts. (Bellville), ... 6.80

Maryland—$25.00
E. Dist., S. S.: Primary Dept., Blue Ridge College (Pipe Creek), ... 25.00

Michigan—$70.75
S. S.: 2 Primary Classes, Thornapple, $20; Children Woodland, $50,75, ... 70.75

Virginia—$257.63
E. Dist. S. S.: Oakton (Fairfax), ... 29.06
So. Dist., Congregations, ... 228.57

Total for the month, ... $ 365.01
Total previously reported, ... 235.60

Total for the year, ... $ 600.61

JUNIOR LEAGUE—1927

Ohio—$1.25
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Black River, ... $ 1.25

Oregon—$5.00
S. S.: S. B. Royer's Class (Portland), ... 5.00

Total for the month, ... $ 6.25
Total previously reported, ... 7.00

Total for the year, ... $ 13.25

B. Y. P. D. FUND—1927

California—$25.00
No. Dist., Y. P. C. W. S.: Reedley, ... 25.00

Indiana—$9.00
So. Dist., Y. P. D.: Indianapolis, ... 9.00

Iowa—$31.00
Mid. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Des Moines, .. 31.00

Kansas—$24.50
N. E. Dist., Y. P. D.: Ottawa, ... 11.85
S. E. Dist., C. W. S.: Parsons, ... 12.65

Total for the month ..... $ 80.50
Total previously reported, ... 75.95

Total for the year, ... $ 165.45

INDIA MISSION

Indiana—$20.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Salamonie, ... $ 20.00

Michigan—$5.86
Cong.: Battle Creek, ... 5.86

Maryland—$39.00
E. Dist., S. S.: Gleaner's Class (Meadow Branch) 29.00
W. Dist., Cong.: C. H. Merrill & Wife (Cherry Grove), ... 10.00

Ohio—$25.59
N. E. Dist., Aid Soc.: Ashland, ... 25.59

Pennsylvania—$39.00
E. Dist., Aid Soc.: Lititz 10.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: No. 97213 (Lewistown), 5.00
S. E. Dist., Junior Christian Endeavor (Geiger Mem.-Phila.) (Babies' Home) 12.00
W. Dist., Cong. Susie McKeown (Rockton) $10; Indv.: H. B. Dicks & Family, $2 ..... 12.00

Total for the month, ... $ 129.45
Total previously reported, ... 99.58

Total for the year, ... $ 229.03

INDIA NATIVE WORKER

Florida—$15.00
Indv.: Eld. J. E. Young, ... $ 15.00

Maryland—$80.00
E. Dist., S. S.: Westminster (Meadow Branch), ... 80.00

Ohio—$115.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Annie May Calvert in memory of her mother, Ann Guthrie Calvert (May Hill) $100; S. S.: Greenville, $15, ... 115.00

Virginia—$20.00
Sec. Dist., Aid Soc.: Bridgewater, ... 20.00

Total for the month, ... $ 230.00
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ... $ 230.00

INDIA BOARDING SCHOOL

Kansas—$35.00
N. E. Dist., Aid Soc.: Brick Church (Morrill), ... 25.00
S. W. Dist., S. S.: "Comrades" Class (Larned Rural), ... 10.00

Ohio—$6.25
S. Dist., S. S.: "Golden Rule" Class, Happy Corner (Lower Stillwater), ... 6.25

Pennsylvania—$27.50
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Class No. 32 (First Altoona), ... 17.50
W. Dist., Cong.: Susie McKeown (Rockton), ... 10.00

Virginia—$25.00
No. Dist., Aid Soc.: Dayton (Cook's Creek), $25.00

Total for the month, ... $ 93.75
Total previously reported, ... 36.25

$ 130.00
Correction No. 8, ... 28.25

Total for the year, ... $ 101.75

INDIA SHARE PLAN

California—$12.50
So. Dist., S. S.: "Gleaners" Class (1st. Los. Angeles), ... $ 12.50

Illinois—$32.50
No. Dist., Cong.: Edith M. Scrogum (First Chicago) $12.50; S. S.: Annie Barr Memorial Fund (Cherry Grove) $20, ... 32.50

Indiana—$12.50
No. Dist., S. S.: Pleasant Chapel, ... 12.50

Kansas—$100.00
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Servants of the Master Class (Morrill) $50; Onward Circle Class (Sabetha) $50, ... 100.00

Maryland—$50.00
E. Dist., S. S.: "Garber Bible Class" (Washington City), ... 50.00

Michigan—$5.00
Indv.: Wilbur Stroup, ... 5.00

Minnesota—$4.00
S. S.: Elementary Dept. (Monticello), ... 4.00

Ohio—$6.25
N. E. Dist., S. S.: "Gleaners" Class (Springfield), ... 6.25

Pennsylvania—$80.00
E. Dist., Cong.: Ridgely $18; No. 97473 (Elizabethtown) $50; S. S.: "Sunshine" Class (Indian Creek) $12, ... 80.00

Virginia—$25.00
Sec. Dist., Aid Soc.: Summit, ... 25.00

Total for the month, ... $ 327.75
Total previously reported, ... 237.50

$ 565.25
Correction No. 6, ... 12.50
Correction No. 7, ... 12.50
Correction No. 8, ... 28.25

Total for the year, ... $ 618.50

DAHANU HOSPITAL

Minnesota—$15.00
Aid Soc.: Hancock, ... $ 15.00

Total for the month, ... $ 15.00
Total previous reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ... $ 15.00

VYARA CHURCH BUILDING

Ohio—$14.00
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Maple Grove, ... $ 14.00

Pennsylvania—$15.34
So. Dist., Missionary Association: Waynesboro, ... 15.34

Total for the month, ... $ 29.34

Total previously reported, ... 100.00

Total for the year, ...$ 129.34

CHINA MISSION

California—$22.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Butte Valley, ...$ 22.00

Illinois—$10.00
No. Dist., S. S.: Sister Cripe's Class (Mt. Morris), ... 10.00

Iowa—$6.00
So. Dist., Cong.: English River, ... 6.00

Maryland—$18.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Brownsville, ... 18.00

Ohio—$10.00
So. Dist., Cong.: No. 97508 (Trotwood), .. 10.00

Pennsylvania—$128.31
E. Dist., S. S.: "Other Folks" Class (Hatfield) $55.35; Aid Soc.: Lititz, $10, ... 65.35
Mid. Dist., Cong.: No. 97243 (Lewistown). 5.00
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Harmonyville, $10.96; Mildred Grater's Class of Girls (Norristown) $19; C. E. S.: Parker Ford, $18, ... 47.96
W. Dist., Cong.: Susie McKeown (Rockton) 10.00

Virginia—$33.50
First Dist., Cong.: Oak Grove, $8.40; Green Hill, $25.10, ... 33.50

Total for the month, ... $ 227.81
Total previously reported, ... 196.21

Total for the year, ...$ 425.02

CHINA NATIVE WORKER

Missouri—$30.40
No. Dist., S. S.: Wakenda, ...$ 30.40

Total for the month, ...$ 30 40
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year. .....$ 30.40

CHINA BOYS' SCHOOL

Maryland—$22.00
E. Dist., S. S.: Westminster (Meadow Branch), ...$ 22.00

Total for the month, ... $ 22.00
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ...$ 22.00

CHINA SHARE PLAN

California—$39.63
No. Dist., S. S.: Primary Dept. (Empire). $ 16.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Hermosa Beach, $11.13; "Gleaners" Class (1st Los Angeles) $12.50, 23.63

Iowa—$25.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: "Gleaners" Class (Panther Creek), ... 25.00

Kansas—$50.00
N. E. Dist., S. S.: "Onward Circle" Class (Sabetha), ... 50.00

Maryland—$25.00
E. Dist., S. S.: "Garber Bible Class (Washington City), ... 25.00

Ohio—$25.00
N. E. Dist., S. S.: "Willing Workers" Class (Maple Grove), ... 25.00

Pennsylvania—$100.00
E. Dist., S. S.: Andrew & Philip Bible Class (Lancaster) $50; Young Men's Bible Class (Ephrata) $25, ... 75.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Mabel I. Arbegast (Mechanicsburg), ... 25.00

Washington—$10.00
S. S.: Richland Valley, ... 10.00

Total for the month, ...$ 274.63
Total previously reported, ... 281.25

$ 555.88
Correction No. 3, ... 25.00
Correction No. 5, ... 25.00

$ 605.83
Correction No. 6, ... 12.50
Correction No. 7, ... 12.50

Total for the year, ...$ 580.88

LIAO CHOU HOSPITAL

Minnesota—$3.35
Aid Soc.: Hancock, ...$ 3.35

Total for the month, ...$ 3.35
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ...$ 3.35

SWEDEN MISSION

Pennsylvania—$10.00
E. Dist., Aid Soc.: Lititz, ...$ 10.00

Total for the month, ...$ 10.00
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ...$ 10.00

AFRICA MISSION

Arizona—$4.45
Cong.: Glendale, ...$ 4.45

California—$24.21
No. Dist., Cong.: Live Oak, ... 5.25
So. Dist., Cong.: Covina, $18.46; Laban Myer (Calvary Los Angeles) $.50, ... 18.96

Florida—$5.00
Indv.: Eld. J. E. Young, ... 5.00

Illinois—$46.47
No. Dist., Cong.: Homer F. Sanger (Chicago) $10; S. S.: Douglas Park (Chicago) $36.47, ... 46.47

Indiana—$85.18
No. Dist., Cong.: Elkhart Valley, $13.11; Yellow Creek, $10; Sec. So. Bend, $11.12; Maple Grove, $10; S. S.: Intermediate Class (Oak Grove) $3; Oak Grove, $12; Mrs. H. A. Clabaugh's Class (Middlebury) $13.45; C. W. S.: Pleasant Valley, $8.50, ... 81.18
So. Dist., Cong.: D. T. Bailiff (Noblesville) 4.00

Iowa—$2.00
No. Dist., Eight Individuals (Spring Creek) (Special), ... 2.00

Kansas—$19.24
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Appanoose, ... 4.25
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Conway Springs, ... 14.99

Maryland—$11.08
E. Dist., S. S.: Gleaners Class (Meadow Branch) $8; C. W. S.: Long Green Valley, $3.08, ... 11.08

Nebraska—$3.00
Cong.: Gracie M. Harry (Afton), ... 3.00

Ohio—$52.00
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Lick Creek, $20; Aid Soc.: Eagle Creek, $10, ... 30.00
So. Dist., Cong.: E. Dayton, $5; S. S.: "Good Cheer" Class (Brookville) $16; "The Busy Bees" Class (Bear Creek) $1, ... 22.00

Oklahoma—$5.00
Cong.: Mrs. Ellen Garst (Bartlesville), ... 5.00

Oregon—$5.00
Cong.: Newberg, ... 5.00

Pennsylvania—$122.90
E. Dist., Aid Soc.: Lititz, $10; C. W. S.: Indian Creek, $16.80, ... 26.80
Mid. Dist., Cong.: No. 97243 (Lewistown) $5; S. S.: Mrs. Dessa Coltabaugh's Class (28th St. Altoona) $31.10, ... 36.10
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Bernice Gibbel (First Phila) $30; Aid Soc.: Amwell, $5; Ambler, $10, 45.00
So. Dist., Cong.: A Sister (Waynesboro) (Special), ... 1.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Mt. Joy, ... 14.00

Washington—$25.00
Cong.: Mrs. W. H. Slabaugh (Wenatchee Valley), ... 25.00

Total for the month, ...$ 410.53
Total previously reported, ... 211.06

Total for the year, ...$ 621.59

MINISTERIAL AND MISSIONARY RELIEF

California—$7.50
No. Dist., Cong.: S. W. Fahnestock (Oakland), ...$ 7.50

Total for the month, ...$ 7.50

Total previously reported, ... 15.00

Total for the year, ...$ 22.50

NEAR EAST RELIEF

California—$5.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Catharine L. Yundt (Pomona), ...$ 5.00

Missouri—$7.40
No. Dist., Cong.: No. Bethel, ... 7.40

Pennsylvania—$64.82
E. Dist., Cong.: 1st Altoona, $40; S. S.: Spring Creek, $4.82, ... 44.82
W. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Eliz. Miller (Walnut Grove) $10; S. S.: Intermediate Dept. (Walnut Grove) $10, ... 20.00

Virginia—$29.98
Sec. Dist., S. S.: Barren Ridge, $21.73; Class No. 12 (Summit) $8.25, ... 29.98

Total for the month, ...$ 107.20
Total previously reported, ... 48.82

Total for the year, ...$ 156.02

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY FLOOD RELIEF

Indiana—$17.03
No. Dist., Cong.: Plymouth, ...$ 17.03

Ohio—$44.00
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Ashland Dickey. 44.00

Virginia—$10.00
Sec. Dist., Indv.: E. C. Gieman, ... 10.00

Total for the month, ...$ 71.03
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ...$ 71.03

CONFERENCE BUDGET

California—$1.82
No. Dist., S. S.: Patterson, ...$ 1.82

Idaho—$100.00
Indv.: S. B. Gochnour, ... 100.00

Indiana—$82.40
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Santa Fe, ... 5.40
No. Dist., Cong.: New Paris, $50; Bremen. $7.90; G. Sprang (Shipshewanna) $5, ... 62.90
So. Dist., Cong.: Buck Creek, ... 15.00

Kansas—$10.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Maggie Ruthrauff (Paint Creek), ... 10.00

Maryland—$2.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Licking Creek. 2.00

Missouri—$19.45
No. Dist., Cong.: Shelby Co., ... 19.45

Ohio—$27.00
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Lydia E. Mason (Zion Hill), ... 7.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Harris Creek, ... 20.00

Virginia—$251.01
No. Dist., Cong.: Moorefield, ... 8.50
So. Dist., Congregations, ... 242.51

Washington—$8.30
Cong.: Spokane, ... 8.30

Total for the month, ... $ 501.98
Total previously reported, ... 150.49

Total for the year, ...$ 652.47

MARCH WORLD SERVICE—1927-28

Maryland—$100.00
E. Dist., Cong.: Wm. E. Roop (Meadow Branch), ...$ 100.00

Pennsylvania—$100.00
So. Dist., Cong.: M. E. Sollenberger (Waynesboro), ... 100.00

Total for the month, ...$ 200.00
Total previously reported, ... 835.00

Total for the year, ...$ 1,035.00

MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

California—$214.53
So. Dist., La Verne Cong. $158.28 for E. D. Vaniman & Wife and L. A. Blickenstaff & Wife; "Harmony Class" (La Verne) $18.75 for Edward Leland Brubaker: "The Gang From Home" (La Verne) $37.50 for Edward Leland Brubaker, ... 214.53

Idaho—$138.39
Congs. & S. S.'s $28.33 for Anetta C. Mow, $110.06 for Dr. D. L. Horning, ... 138.39

Illinois—$300.84
No. Dist., Mt. Morris Cong. $100 for Ruth Ulery; Franklin Grove Cong. $134.29 for Bertha Butterbaugh; Franklin Grove S. S. $16.55 for Bertha Butterbaugh, ... 250.84
So. Dist., Virden Aid Soc. for Leah Ruth Ebey, ... 50.00

Iowa—$39.69
So. Dist., No. English S. S. for Nettie Senger, ... 39.69

Indiana—$500.00
Mid. Dist., Mexico Cong. for Lillian Grisso, 500.00

Kansas—$8.15
S. E. Dist., Parsons S. S. for Emma H. Eby, ... 8.15

Nebraska—$69.74
Bethel Cong. for Raymond C. Flory, ... 69.74

Maryland—$60.00
E. Dist., Y. P. D.'s $10. for Earl W. Flohr; Men's Bible Class (Fulton Ave. Baltimore) $50 for Ina M. Kaylor, ... 60.00

Ohio—$462.54
N. E. Dist., Olivet S. S. for A. D. Helser. 216.54
N. W. Dist., Lick Creek Cong. for Elizabeth Kintner, ... 246.00

Pennsylvania—$430.10
E. Dist., "Helping Hand" Class, Lebanon S. S. (Midway) for Alberta Sollenberger, .. 37.50
Mid. Dist., Albright Cong. & S. S. for Olivia D. Ikenberry, ... 40.00
So. Dist., Sunday Schools for Adam Ebey, $250; Chestnut Grove S. S. (Upper Codorus) $2.60 for Adam Ebey, ... 252.60
W. Dist., "Good Samaritan Bible Class" Walnut Grove for Anna Hutchison, ... 100.00

Virginia—$10.00
So. Dist., Burks Fork Cong. $5 for Rebecca C. Wampler; $5 for Elsie Shickel. .. 10.00

Total for the month, ...$ 2,233.98
Total previously reported, ... 4,587.68

Total for the year, ...$ 6,821.65

BULSAR NOTES FOR APRIL

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hear. In April two of the leading men of the community were baptized, and are suffering many hardships because of it.

In the Wanki school, which was started and carried on under such great difficulties a few years ago, three of the boys have gone to the sixth standard, as high as they can go in that school. These boys have suffered more than any one can know for their desire for an education. An effort is now being made to get them into the Bulsar Boys' School.

The Bulsar Mission School closed the 29th of April, for one month's vacation. The Wankal school will have a month and a half of vacation, the difference being that at Wankal it is in the hands of the Indians and at Bulsar there is closer supervision by the missionary. At Bulsar a prize was given in each standard for the best Bible work done, and one grand prize for the best Bible work done in the school, a nice, leather-bound New Testament. This was won by a large boy in the fourth standard, who had had no opportunity to go to school till he was far behind others. There are 151

in the day school, and each of them is in some Bible class every day. When school opens again there will be two classes in English begun; also the seventh standard Gujarati will be given. At Wankal the sixth standard will be given for the first, because the boys will not come in to Bulsar for this work. There will be ten boys in the class.

Recently there have been a number of cases of pernicious anemia at the dispensary. One of the teachers from Vali was in the hospital for about a month, and in that time his hemoglobin went down at the rate of one per cent a day. There seemed to be no hope for his improvement, so he was allowed to go home. There have also been several cases of tetanus. Of them one proved fatal. They did not bring him till it was too late for the antitoxin to have effect, though he was given the maximum dose. He was only four years old, the youngest of the family. A few years ago this family lost a boy from rabies, and now this one from tetanus. The older son of the family is one of the helpers in the work about the dispensary and hospital. Another case, a boy of ten, has just been discharged to go home, after having been here for over a month. For days it was a question as to how it would result with him, but finally he began to go uphill, after having had about $35 worth of antitoxin. This was over two months' earnings of his father, but he was willing to pay it to save the boy. He has had twelve children, and this one is the only one living, his wife also having died. He is very grateful for the recovery of this his last child. He is a Mohammedan.

The new hospital rooms are now under roof and we are hoping it will not be so long till they can be used. This will give us ten more ward rooms and will make about eighteen in all that we can use for patients. The patients like these rooms, where they can come and have their families with them, to take care of them. They will come here under those conditions when they would not consider coming if the patient had to be alone with none of the relatives. And they can have their own food, which is such an important item in their lives.

We found that our well, which supplies the water for the dispensary, hospital, two bungalows and the medical helpers, was going dry. It was emptied two or three times a day, so we had it deepened about eight feet, all that the wall would stand. Now we have nine or ten feet of water in it, even though there are about twenty families using from it, and also water for the building of the new hospital rooms is taken from it. We are told this is very good water, is sweet, and others like to get their drinking water from it. We know it is good water, because it has been worshiped and has had a cocoanut and money offered to it, also some flowers strewn about the well and the red powder that is used in making offerings. All classes and castes are now using water from it without any objections as to who else uses it. That is that much advancement in breaking down caste, which is one step in winning them to Christ.

A girl used to collect for charities in Ayrshire. One of the cottages she called at was that of a poor, pious woman, who, poor as she was, would have been mightily insulted if the collector had passed her door. One day, when the collector called, Betty was sitting at her tea. As she rose to get her mite she threw her apron across the table. The girl in curiosity, lifted the apron to see what it concealed, and found the hidden cup filled with water. "Why, Betty," she cried, "it isn't tea; it is only water!" "Ay, my dear," said Betty, "it's just water, but Jesus makes it taste like wine."



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Kline, Alvin, 1926
Wampler, Nelie, 1922

In Pastoral Service

Bowman, Price and Elsie, Bassett, Va., 1925
Fahnestock, Rev. and Mrs. S. G., 1059 Michigan Ave., Portland, Ore., 1927
Garber, Glenn, Essex, Mo., 1925
Haney, R. A. and Irva, Merrill, Md., 1925
Horner, W. J. and Hazel, 3122 Ellis Ave., Fort Worth, Texas
Scrogum, Arthur and Marie, Accident, Md., 1926
Showalter, R. K. and Florence, Rose Pine, La., 1926
White, Ralph and Matie, 1206 E. Holston Ave., Johnson City, Tenn., 1923

SWEDEN

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Graybill, J. F., and Alice, 1911
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CHINA

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Coffman, Dr. Carl, 1921, and Lulu, 1919
Flory, Edna R., 1917
Metzger, Minerva, 1910
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Neher, Minneva J., 1924
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On Furlough

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Clapper, V. Grace, Johnstown, Pa., R. 5, 1917
Cline, Mary E., 900 Franklin, Roaring Spring, Pa., 1920
Crumpacker, F. H., and Anna, Elgin, Ill., 1908
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Myers, Minor M., and Sara, Bridgewater, Va., 1919
Smith, W. Harlan and Frances, Grundy Center, Ia., 1920
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Brubaker, L. S., and Marie, 1924
Hollenberg, John, 1926, and Ada D., 1922
Flory, Raymond, and Lizzie, 1914
Horning, Emma, 1908

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Flohr, Earl W., and Ella, 1926
Gibbel, Dr. J. Paul, and Verda, 1926
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Heckman, Clarence C., and Lucile, 1924
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Shisler, Sara, 1926

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On Furlough

Burke, Dr. Homer L., and Marguerite, 509 So. Honore St., Chicago, Ill., 1923
Mallott, Ruth B., 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, 1924

INDIA

Ahwa, Dangs, India

Garner, H. P., and Kathryn, 1916

Anklesvar, Broach Dist., India

Grisso, Lillian, 1917
Long, I. S., and Effie, 1903
Moomaw, I. W., and Mabel, 1923
Shickel, Elsie, 1921
Woods, Beulah, 1924

Bulsar, Surat Dist., India

Blickenstaff, Lynn A., and Mary, 1920
Cottrell, Dr. A. R., and Laura, 1913
Mohler, Jennie, 1916
Roop, Ethel, 1926
Shumaker, Ida C., 1910

Dahanu Road, Thana Dist., India

Ebbert, Ella, 1917
Metzger, Dr. Ida, 1925
Nickey, Dr. Barbara M., 1915
Royer, B. Mary, 1913
Wolf, L. Mae, 1922

Jalalpor, Surat Dist., India

Miller, Eliza B., 1900
Mow, Baxter M., and Anna, 1923

Vada, Thana Dist., India

Kaylor, John I., 1911 and Ina, 1921
Swartz, Goldie E., 1916

Palghar, Thana Dist., India

Alley, Howard L., and Hattie, 1917

Post Umalla, via Anklesvar, India

Lichty, D. J., 1902, and Anna, 1912
Widdowson, Olive, 1912
Ziegler, Kathryn, 1908

Vyara, via Surat Dist., India

Blough, J. M., and Anna, 1903
Brooks, Harlan J., and Ruth, 1924
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On Furlough

Blickenstaff, Verna M., Cerro Gordo, Ill., 1919
Brumbaugh, Anna B., Hartville, O., 1919
Butterbaugh, A. G., and Bertha, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
Ebey, Adam, and Alice, North Manchester, Ind., 1900
Forney, D. L., and Anna, La Verne, Calif., 1897
Hollenberg, Fred M., and Nora, Sebring, Fla., 1919
Kintner, Elizabeth, Ney, Ohio, 1919
Miller, Arthur S. B. and Jennie, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
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Summer Workers for Home Missions

EDITORIAL

THIS summer twenty-four workers, largely college students, are being employed at needy places in America. The purpose of this venture in home missions is twofold:

First, there is the need of workers at points that are unable financially to secure church leadership. In some cases the local group of members are not conscious of the possibilities of their community. These summer workers will take the lead in surveying the situation and helping the local members to discover the opportunities that lie at their door. In past years this type of work has revealed great possibilities never known before. Some local groups have been awakened, have asked to retain their summer workers indefinitely, and churches are being built up.

The **second** purpose of this venture in home missions is to provide a training ground for beginning church workers. Students coming from school are unknown to the churches, and hence they find difficulty

in getting established in the work of the ministry. Churches employing pastors prefer those who have had experience. This situation is often discouraging to young ministers who have completed their school training but are not invited to any pastorate. It is desirable on the part of the young ministers that they have an opportunity to work under the direction of some one who is able to give helpful advice. The Home Mission Department of the General Mission Board, directed by M. R. Zigler, is in close touch with these workers. Weekly reports are submitted to the Elgin Mission Rooms by each worker. The churches where workers are placed are also in correspondence with the mission rooms.

This short period of service helps the young minister to discover if the ministry is the field to which he would like to dedicate his life. It gives him a chance to demonstrate what he can do. Churches desiring to employ pastors will have evidence of what the young minister can do in actual service. The General Mission Board prefers to choose its foreign workers from this group who have had experience in church work.

The money to support this home-mission project comes from the home-mission fund controlled by the General Mission Board. Last winter the students in the colleges raised a missionary fund for this purpose. In every case the local church membership is responsible for raising as much as possible on the salary of the worker. The General Board pays the balance. In some cases the District Mission Board shares part of the expense. The last five on the list receive no support from the General Mission Board, but make reports to the Mission Rooms the same as other workers.

This experiment was first tried in a small way six years ago. It was so successful that home-mission leaders are certain that it is a most valuable endeavor.

SUMMER WORKERS, 1927

Name and Address	Work
Roy M. Brady, Galesburg, Kansas	Pastor
Desmond Bittinger, Geer, Va.	Evangelist
Miss Ada Correll, Wetmore, Kansas, R. 1, % H. B. Larabee	Pastor
Saylor Cubbage, Mt. Airy, N. C.	Pastor
Ruth Danner, Carthage, Mo., % Ira Witmore	Assistant pastor
Kathryn Fleming, Windber, Pa., % Clyde Horst	Assistant pastor
Jefferson Mathis, Beaver, Iowa	Pastor
Hazel Messer, Carthage, Mo.	Assistant pastor
W. H. Meyers, Pontiac, Mich., 46 North Roselawn Drive	Pastor
DeWitt L. Miller, Keyser, W. Va., % Russell West	Assistant pastor
Raymond Peters, Taylor's Valley, Va.	Pastor
Marian Rinehart, Stanley, Wis., R. 1	Pastor
Nina Ross, Michigan,	Daily Vacation Bible School Work
Lois Sherrick, Michigan	Daily Vacation Bible School Work
Bertha Sanford, Accident, Md., % Arthur Scrogum	Daily Vacation Bible School Work
Clarence Shockley, Redcliff, Alta., Canada	Pastor
Cecil Showalter, Huddleston, Va.	Pastor
Edwin Shumaker, Lonaconing, Md.	Pastor
Wilbur O. Snyder, Richmond, Ind.	Pastor
Frank Baldwin, Alto, Mich., R. 1	Pastor
F. H. Barr, Mt. Pleasant, Mich.	Pastor
S. L. Shenton, South English, Iowa	Pastor
Oscar Fike, Redfield, Kansas	Pastor
Mrs. Allie Eisenbise, 2158 So. 11th St., Springfield, Ill.	Assistant pastor

I challenge you young men and women to go with Christ as he goes—down into the midst of the problems that must be met and solved, down where life is hard and men must toil, down into the thick of the battle with selfishness and greed, into the commonplace made gray by the deadly grind, into the midst of mad pleasures where souls seek to find release, into the homes where men and women struggle to be true and fail. Leave your ceaseless round of self-indulgence, your drifting days where, safe and well content, you may draw down the shades, say your comfortable prayers at eventide and easily forget. Let your prayers be like Christ's as you kneel alone in the night when the day's work is done. Go out from this place and this hour into the problems of your own home, your office and school, your city streets, your country lanes; go out to lift burdens, knowing that in the ultimate plan of the eternal God you have a part. I pray you turn to the Christ of Calvary, the Man of Galilee, and say to him, with joy, "I see the need, I take it upon myself."—Margaret Slattery, in "He Took It Upon Himself."

Seeing Vada

A Trip Through a Mission Station in India

GOLDIE E. SWARTZ
Missionary to India

ARE you ready? Then let us start. By which conveyance will you travel —motor-car, horse tanga, bullock cart, bicycle, or pes? All are available. Remember, the distance (Palghar on the railroad) is thirty miles. Quite proper you choose the motor, for it conserves time and energy, but in so doing you miss many side interests which are accessible only to the pedestrian or cartist.

This town? Twelve miles we have now come and have reached Manore. Yes, it is a good-sized town. It is a sort of logging center. To it day after day, during the open season, goes a continuous series of oxcarts, bearing logs from near-by or distant jungle. From here the logs are conveyed by river during monsoon to a seaport some miles distant. This town is considered a rather strategic point, spiritually as well as materially, hence the District Mission Board has a worker located here. We wish he were a better representative of the One he is here to represent. But as yet in the infancy, and not having much material from which to choose, we have to put up with what we can get, rather than what we want.

Continuing onward, having passed over two mountain ranges and through five bridgeless rivers, past numerous small villages which, together with the hundreds of others in Vada district, are visited with the gospel message only seldom, for want of consecrated workers, within a mile of Vada town we reach the women's mission compound. The chief interest here is the Girls' Boarding-School. The gray stone bungalow in front, with spacious verandas for protection against the heat, the flowers and shrubbery surrounding it, make it a comfortable home for the single lady missionaries, who at the present time happen to be only one, upon whom added responsibilities have fallen because of the furloughs of the Ebeys and Miss Brumbaugh.

To the left of the compound are the homes of our Indian workers. One compartment is being used at the present as a hostel for small orphan boys, who eat and sit in school with the girls. No adult lives with these boys, but the missionary tries to help them have self-rule and self-pride to make their room a real home.

To the rear of the compound, well protected, is the girls' home and school. This also is built from the stone quarry close by. The veranda is enclosed with a bamboo lattice and is used for sleeping. By practice we try to break the children away from the custom of sleeping with closed doors and windows and covered faces, to an appreciation of the value of fresh air. Our success in this has not been overabundant.

At the present time the boarders, mostly orphans, number only eleven, but some come in from the outside as day pupils. The people do not yet see the value of educating girls, hence it is difficult to get them to come to school.

Rightly so, you want to know what have been our accomplishments. Difficult to say. Yes, impossible, for results are not always visible at the present. An increase of stature is readily observed. Scholastic markings show a mental enlargement. Best of all, however, are the encouraging responses which we frequently see in their relationships with each other and to the problems of life and service, as new and increasing opportunities come into their experiences. These are evidences of a spiritual growth, of which we have no standard of measurement save our Holy Savior, from whose perfect example we all fall far short.

They take their turns week about in caring for one of their number, who is a cripple eight or nine years of age. A malformation of the bones of her back, arms and legs makes it impossible for her to walk, so she must be carried about and have considerable attention. But in all this extra care not a word of complaint is heard from her caretakers. Instead, they all love her. Even the little boys proudly haul her back

and forth to church in her little cart, a self-assumed responsibility. In spite of her handicaps, in the two years she has been with us (she was picked up from a dump heap unwanted) she has learned to read, write, sew, and help in some forms of the housework. Her patience, winsomeness, grateful smile for every favor received make her a blessing to us all.

Another thing which causes one's heart to swell up with joy and courage, is to behold these young second and third-standard girls (for this is only a primary school) take their turns with adults in leading the mid-week prayer meeting. Even the smaller ones take part in prayer. On Sunday afternoons, too, they are a most happy and enthusiastic group as they go out with the Bible woman and missionary to visit near-by villages with song and gospel messages. Not only do they help sing, but they recite Bible stories which they have learned.

Now we will proceed onward to the other compound. Here at the crossroad see this Hindoo temple. Yes, its dome is rather gaudy, with its newly applied blue and yellow paint. Bright blue seems to be a favorite paint color in India. Vada's inhabitants are still quite orthodox in their religion, hence about sunset many, especially women, come with their offerings of rice, ghee, etc. The worshiper arouses (?) the god by ringing the bell to notify him of the offering brought, repeats the name of the god, and leaves with a satisfied (?) feeling that his religion has been "done."

There, that little fenced-in enclosure? Yes, one might take it to be a gravestone, but it is not. It is the government observatory! Therein is observed the amount of rainfall for this area. This year, during monsoon, in less than three months more than 134 inches fell. Some rain! Well, yes; water more than "two men deep." Of this amount sixty-five inches fell during the month of July alone. Vada's temperature, too, is rather phenomenal. The hot season is true to its name—no farce. The cool season is delightful, but with great extremes of night and day temperatures—forty-five to fifty at night and eighty-five to ninety at mid-day.

Yes, we have now reached the town of Vada, whose dwellers number 2,600, mostly caste people and Mohammedans, there being very few outcastes. It has a post and telegraph office, two government schools, one for boys and one for girls, several fairly-good general shops, where necessary hardware articles, cloth, grains, etc., may be purchased, a dispensary and a library, both little patronized, and more than a sufficiency of daru (liquor) drink shops. The series of rooms off to the right in that stone-wall enclosure are government headquarters for this taluka (county), as Vada is the county seat.

Just across the road from the government buildings is the general mission compound. Here the Kaylors live when not out touring in the district. Missionaries have been living and working here in the village for nearly a score of years, and it is but natural that you should ask about results. Sorry, but there is not much we can show you. Materially here is a bungalow, a garage, a bullock stable, a fifteen-acre tract of land, a number of bamboo houses, the homes of our Indian helpers, and last but not least a church. The church members number thirty-five, which largely comprise our worshiping body. Frequently do some of our friends from the village as they pass by stop outside and listen for a while and occasionally some step inside. But let us compare notes for a moment—the past with the present—to see the changes for the better which have come about. That the fear and prejudice which the pioneer missionary had to meet have now largely disappeared, the following incident among many which Mrs. Kaylor gives will illustrate:

"A family of Warnis, a caste well up the scale, hated the name Christian to the extent that one day during the time of early missionary work, a missionary, while going through the bazaar, was pelted by them with rotten potatoes. Years passed, acquaintance grew and deepened into friendship. The family moved from Vada to a country village. Recently while touring we camped in their village, and this very family now put forth every effort to show their pleasure in having us in their midst. The last morning we were there the husband called to pay his regards and sat quietly while we had our daily worship

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Youth Studies the Missionary Work

KATHRYN WRIGHT

THESE young people are the members of the Missionary Materials and Methods Class conducted by H. Spenser Minnich at the Camp Mack School of Methods, held from May 30 to June 4.

The purpose of this class was to impart to the younger workers of today's church the essential Christian missionary spirit and give them a comprehensive knowledge of missionary work. It is not too much to say that all of our eyes were opened to new situations and truths during our study together.

We learned that missionary education has for its objective the active desire for fellowship with all mankind, and the sharing with them of the best God-given experiences. The elements of active missionary work are knowledge, sympathy, and response, which respectively give flexibility, urge, and stability to our convictions.

On two successive evenings we studied the eleven great world religions: their founders, times of founding, deities, beliefs, sacred books, locations, and followings. To practically every one of us this was a revelation. We shall not soon forget those nights.

Ten missionary books were designated for outside study. Besides this, three suggestions from each one were handed in for pictures or slides in missionary lectures.

That week together in study and worship means more than we can say. Vesper services brought home to us the truth we had studied. At those times the Divine was with us, and each, resolving to serve, acknowledged his presence and said in his heart:

> A sudden Presence has drawn up near;
> God's in the silence fallen here.

The class built a year's missionary program for a typical country church. That program, which follows, you will find worth-while to study.



Missions Class—Camp Mack School of Methods

Missionary Program for 1928

Built for a Typical Country or Village Church of 100 Members

A. Organization

Missionary Committee of Three Members and Pastor

1. Personnel of committee
   (a) Representative from adult department
   (b) Representative from Y. P. D.
   (c) Representative from leaders in children's department
2. How chosen
   (a) Nominated by group

(b) Elected by open council

3. Qualifications
   (a) Interested in missions
   (b) Possessed of knowledge of missionary work
   (c) Possessed of knowledge of missionary materials
   (d) Endowed with traits of leadership
4. Duties
   (a) Preparation of missionary education program
   (b) Setting of goal for finance
   (c) Supervision of missionary work in local community
   (d) Promotion of missionary projects in children's and B. Y. P. D. departments
   (e) Presentation of missionary information

B. Expressional and Educational Activities

1. Financial Activities
   (a) Missionary Goal for year—$600

Conference offering	$100
Thanksgiving offering	30
B. Y. P. D. missionary project	40
Juniors and Intermediates project	30
Primaries project	10
S. S. monthly offerings	60
Aid Society	50
February missionary offering	30
Christmas missionary offering	50
District Missions	200

2. Prayer
   (a) Special program prepared by special committee
3. Group activities
   (a) Primaries
      Enlistment in children's missionary project
      Missionary program
      Poster projects
      Mission study
   (b) Juniors and Intermediates
      Committal of missionary scriptures
      Maps of missionary work
      Missionary exhibit
      Poster campaigns
      Preparation of Thanksgiving baskets
      Mission study, January to March
      Enlistment in missionary project
   (c) B. Y. P. D.
      Missionary programs
      Mission study, January to March
      Enlistment in missionary project
   (d) General
      Missionary lecture
      Sermons
      Missiongrams
      Departmental programs

C. Materials for Missionary Education

1. Sermons
2. Missionary lecture
3. General programs
4. Missiongrams
5. Talks by returned missionaries
6. Deputation teams from College Volunteers
7. Pictures
8. Slides
9. Posters
10. Exhibits
11. Maps
12. Picture leaflets
13. Books
14. Magazines
15. Missionary letters
16. Pamphlets
17. "Missionary Visitor"
18. Projects
19. Mission study courses
20. Plays and pageants

D. Program of Missionary Education

1. Mission study course
   (a) Theme: "The Essentially Missionary Character of Christianity"
   (b) Text Book to suit department. (Note. Write General Mission Board, Educational Dept., Elgin, Ill., for list of 1928 Mission Study Books)
   (c) Supplementary material
      Magazine articles
      Pictures
      Lectures
2. Missiongrams, monthly
3. Missionary sermons, frequently
4. Missionary programs by
   (a) Local talent
   (b) Deputation teams
5. Picture leaflets
6. Projects
   (a) Primaries
   (b) Juniors and Intermediates
   (c) Y. P. D.
7. Definite instruction in the S. S.
8. Definite intercessory prayer

No. Manchester, Ind.

A Week With the Girls at Dahanu

ELLA EBBERT

IT is nine o'clock Sunday morning; the bell is ringing for Sunday-school and the girls, dressed in their Sunday best, march off to Sunday-school. After an hour and a half they return, and those whose turn it is to cook prepare the noon meal. After dinner is over and the dishes washed all are supposed to settle down for an hour and read or sleep, so they try, some more and some less, to do as they are supposed to do.

The regular time for afternoon service is three o'clock, but today we are having it at two, for there is going to be baptizing. After a short service the audience is dismissed and it wends its way to the river, where seven precious souls, six boarding-school girls and one young man, are buried with Christ in baptism and rise to walk in newness of life. Having returned from the river the audience again assembles, and Bro. Hollenberg brings us an inspiring message from the fifteenth chapter of John.

Monday morning eight-thirty the bell is ringing. This is for inspection of the girls as well as their rooms. When this is over all gather in the schoolroom for the "daily dozen," and at nine school begins. After opening exercises, which are conducted all together in the main room, each class marches off to its own room.

"Mai, what is the matter? Why do you not read your lesson?" "I can't, my head aches very badly and I am so chilly." "You had better go lie down then."

By evening Mai is no better and is running a temperature of 104. The doctor is called and medicine given. She does not improve, so Tuesday morning she is taken to the hospital, and becomes the second patient in the new hospital.

Tuesday evening, five o'clock, and Shanta and Grace have not even begun to cook their evening meal. Upon being asked why, Shanta says, "Kherna let the bucket fall into the well, and we have nothing with which to draw water."

Wednesday morning some one calls at the bungalow and says, "Here's a little girl who wants to come to school." She is ragged and dirty; her head looks like a brush heap. She is allowed to stay, and after she is cleaned up and given some clean clothes to put on she looks like a different girl.

"Miss Sahib, Miss Sahib," some one calls. Miss Sahib goes to the door and finds the father of Sonu and Ghagu. He has come from his village, twenty-five miles away, to see his girls, who are in school.

Thursday morning Somlie, the little girl who came yesterday and said she wanted to come to school, was called on by her aunt. She came to take her home, but Somlie said, "No, I want to stay here." She had told us she had no relatives, her father and mother both being dead. She begged to stay, so we asked her aunt to let her stay, but she said, "No, I will take her." But the child cried, saying, "I will not go; you beat me very much." Finally she said, "I will let her stay, but you must give me money for her." "No, we give no money for girls; we do not buy them; we give them a home; we give them food and clothing and teach them." She agrees to let her stay, which makes the little one so very happy that we decided to take her picture to show you how happy she really is.

"Mary, who is that crying?" "It is Crupa." "What is the matter?" "She had a little sore on her arm and Jevie told her she would make it well. She took a rag and dipped it in kerosene, that she took from the lantern, and laid it on the sore, and then applied a match." Needless to say, Jevie is punished to help her remember that such a performance must not be repeated.

Friday morning the postman brings a letter from the father of a young man who wants a wife. He asks for Yumuna. Before the day is over Yumuna is consulted and flatly refuses him. After thinking the matter over she will be sure to change her mind, for these girls, like some American girls, think they should say "No" at first, even though they know they will say "Yes," later.

Saturday morning everybody is up early, for we are to have some visitors today. House cleaning is the first thing in order;

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Missionaries Confer at Camp Harmony

ALICE K. EBEY
Missionary to India

IMMEDIATELY after the Hershey Conference the above group of missionaries and Board members with a few others met at Camp Harmony near Johnstown, Pa., for quiet communion with God and fellowship with each other. This secluded spot among the lovely, wooded hills was an ideal place.

Missionaries from the several fields seldom meet. They are separated for long periods from the home church. There is often no opportunity to meet the members and officers of the Board face to face. Such a conference enabled us to secure helpful first-hand information concerning the work of the kingdom in the several lands. It was encouraging to learn of the marvelous work of Christ among the peoples of the earth.

Brethren Bonsack and Yoder, who have just returned from their visit to China, India, and Sweden, gave most encouraging reports of what they saw and of what they learned from the workers, both American and native.

Bro. Winger spoke on "The Certainties of Our Faith." The Word of God shall not pass away. God and his Son, Jesus Christ, are forever the same. The gates of hell shall not prevail against the church. We have come into a rich heritage through the faith and courage and sacrifice of our fathers. The Church of the Brethren has a distinct contribution to make to the world with her doctrines on peace, simple living, and strict obedience to the Bible.

Bro. Emmert out of his wide experience at home and abroad suggested how the missionary on furlough might find rest and refreshment for himself and bring to the home church information, inspiration, and spiritual help.

Bro. J. W. Lear and Bro. Edward Frantz brought out of their rich spiritual experiences messages that spoke to the soul and brought us into the very presence of our Lord.

Bro. Minnich spoke on Missionary Education and suggested how missionaries might help to bring information and missionary enthusiasm to both old and young among the various churches.

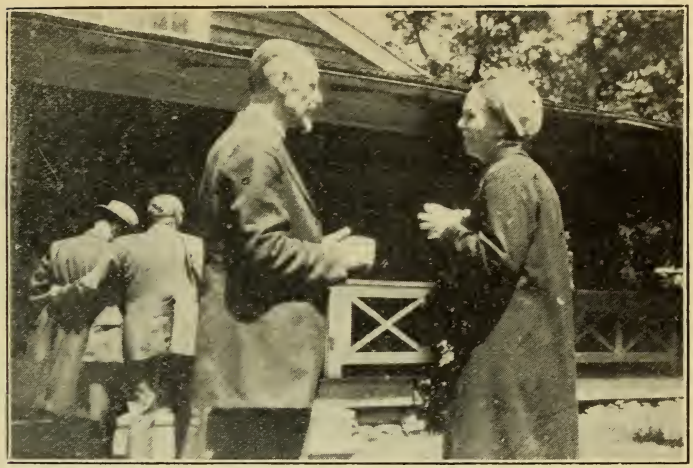
The morning devotions, the noon-hour praise service, and the evening prayers around the fireside brought us near to our Heavenly Father, and we renewed our vows to worship and serve him only through the help of the Lord Jesus.

One period was devoted to the discussion of the mutual relations of the field and the

church and the Board. Bro. M. M. Myers, Bro. C. G. Shull, and Bro. Chas. D. Bonsack set forth the importance of these relations and others participated in the discussion.

Treasurer Culp directed an illuminating discussion on the extended financial relationships of the missionary enterprise.

Secretary Bonsack gave the last message, which was followed by the final prayer service. Appreciations to all who had helped to make this conference possible were expressed. Then, farewell, and the next day we were worshiping in various congregations near by.



J. B. Emmert, Board Member, and Alice Ebey kodaked as they conferred over missionary problems



Edward Frantz, Editor of the Gospel Messenger, and J. W. Lear, Director of the Council of Promotion, taken unawares by the picture box

We remember the workers in the various fields at home and abroad, the home folks whose prayers and toil and sacrifice make possible the foreign missionary enterprise, the faithful preachers and teachers who keep the home fires burning. We are all workers together with God in the first great work of the church of bringing the Gospel to every creature in all the nations of the earth.

Resolutions

June 18, 1927

Whereas, We, the Conference of the Missionaries on furlough and the Board members, have been privileged to spend a few days in the seclusion of Camp Harmony in all its natural beauties, where we have enjoyed the fellowship of fellow workers, the inspiration of sharing constructive suggestions, the opportunity of rest and recreation and for communion with God,

Therefore, Be it Resolved,

1st. That we give praise to our Heavenly Father for this opportunity of communion and fellowship;

2nd. That we give our thanks to the District of Pennsylvania and Maryland for having made possible this beautiful camp with its delightful scenery and splendid accommodations;

3rd. That we extend our thanks to the good people of Johnstown for furnishing transportation;

4th. That we express our appreciation to the Sisters' Aid Society and Women's Bible Classes for plenteous and comfortable bedding;

5th. That we thank the management for arrangements for our general welfare and especially Brethren Hamilton and Hoover in their unfailing courtesy and constant and untiring efforts in our behalf; and further, Be it Resolved,

6th. That a copy of these resolutions be placed in the hands of Brother Hamilton for suitable publication.

Committee: J. E. Wagoner,
O. C. Sollenberger,
Marguerite Burke.

Immigration

CHARLES L. WHITE

President, Home Missions Council

THE statistics of the Department of Labor for March show 29,868 immigrants admitted, an increase of 364 over March of last year. But 1,380 undesirable aliens were deported in this same period. Germany furnished 4,546 immigrants; Irish Free State 2,295; Italy 1,600; Scotland 1,098; Norway 959; Sweden 946; Poland 941; and England 852. Immigration from Canada and Mexico continued large, 4,615 coming from Canada and 7,900 from Mexico. Three countries exhausted their annual quota during March; viz., Greece, Latvia, and Luxemburg.

Of the 29,858 mentioned above, 7,867 intended to reside in New York State, 5,659 in Texas, 2,096 in California, 2,026 in Illinois, 1,888 in Michigan, 1,793 in Pennsylvania, 1,672 in New Jersey, and 1,510 in Massachusetts. Ohio is to have 779 and other States smaller numbers down to four for Arkansas.

In occupation, laborers head the list with 6,627. Next come servants with 2,555, farm laborers 2,314, clerks and accountants 1,343, and farmers 988. The professional classes furnish 805, including 319 electricians and professional engineers; 9,527 are classed as having no occupation, but among these are the children and also women whose work is in the home.

The prospect in view of these figures is in general encouraging. The larger number from Canada are not undesirable. The 7,900 from Mexico, however, suggest again the important matter of their care and training. The Mexican problem is with us. We can not escape it under present conditions. Can we bring about conditions that will solve it or will remove it? May we assume that it will solve itself if we simply ignore it and take an optimistic view? A definite knowledge of facts and a wide, sympathetic application of that knowledge are indispensable prerequisites in dealing with these momentous questions.

May 26, 1927.

Examination Day

NETTIE MABELLE SENGER

Missionary to China

SUCH an event had never happened before in the history of this village. But today eight young women with their teacher, a girl of seventeen, filed into the chapel, gave their bows and sat down. They had committed the first volume of "Short Steps to Great Truths," a simple text of Bible truth; and had committed both tune and words to twenty-one hymns. They had learned more or less of the truth in all their readings, and while they were happy in their new accomplishment, yet they entered the examination room in fear and trembling. They had never heard of or seen such an occasion before. They did splendidly. One girls became so scared she could not finish alone, but with the help of the others committing with her she finished.

Such an event, important to them as it is, should be remembered; so, when they had finished, we followed the custom of schools here and recorded their names with the work done on the chapel wall, where all can see who have studied here, and what they have studied. A little present was awarded each girl as a recognition of her accomplishment and hard labors. Each in turn arose and bowed as she received a handkerchief sent by the children from America, a tiny piece of laundry soap we had just made, using the lye the Iowa children gave me while home on furlough for such work, and five English walnuts.

Last was a speech by the Chinese lady evangelist, showing them the value of reading and the high place a mother should fill in the home, and cannot fill without learning. This done we went to the court for a picture to help us remember the event,

yet none of us needs anything to keep the memory fresh.

They were all chagrined because they got so scared, and this evening would not come for their daily lesson. They are all bright girls, and most of them will proceed in their lessons.

Following this examination was one for the children. Six children had read half their first primer and committed ten songs. They did well and all rushed home, happy when it was over, with five nuts in their little hands.

The women and girls are pressing to learn. The church members are beginning to come to a consciousness that the church is theirs and should be governed by them rather than the missionary.

"HE MUST INCREASE, BUT I MUST DECREASE"—JOHN 3: 30

In the New Testament we find John the Baptist beginning his work about six months before Jesus began his public work. John the Baptist had a striking and powerful message for the people. Many of the Jews thought he must be the Messiah. He continually declared that he was the forerunner or heralder of the Messiah. He had much power and influence over the people.

When Jesus began his work the people began to leave John the Baptist and follow Jesus. John's disciples were anxious for his work, and questioned John as to his decrease in power and influence. John, with his great heart of love and nobleness of character, replied, "He must increase, but I must decrease."

I believe a good motto for the Volunteer work this year would be, "Jesus must increase and I must decrease." If each one of us as Volunteers would put Jesus and his kingdom first in life, selfishness would decrease and our influence and power would be keenly felt on the campus or wherever we find our work.

I pray that each Volunteer will feel somehow the great passion for the lost people of the world as Jesus did. We must have this great passion or we will not win the world for him. Do we see the needy ones pleading in our cities for help, also in the great mountain sections of America and in foreign countries? Is your soul responding within itself, "I am coming to help"?

Each day the door of opportunity opens for us to do some one a good turn. Let us grasp every opportunity for service, even though some acts seem very small. If we are faithful in little things, greater things will come our way. Service for our Master calls for the best in us.

Clara Harper.

A STATEMENT OF CONVICTIONS ON WAR

Note. This statement was made by a group of Church of the Brethren young people in Iowa last winter. It has appeared in the Gospel Messenger. It is worthy the study of other young people's groups.

We believe that war is wrong and fails to offer any guarantee of justice.

In the light of the foregoing point of view regarding war we reserve the right to decide individually if and how we can participate in any conflict that may arise.

We believe that war as an institution for the settlement of international controversies should be made a public crime, and with war thus outlawed we contend for a judicial substitute in the form of an international court of justice.

While we believe in the efficacy of the foregoing measures against war, we would place our largest reliance in the educational processes which promote goodwill between nations.

We believe there should be a Fellowship for Peace group within the Church of the Brethren, with the purpose of positive building for peace, and that selected members within the group be assigned to specific problems and definite countries, to the end that they may be constantly prepared to give authentic information regarding these problems and the international relationships of any country in question.

We believe this Fellowship for Peace group should consist of a definite membership. Members should annually indicate their desire to participate in the group, should conform to the efforts of the group, and should do all possible to promote peace in harmony with the ideals of the Fellowship Group.

Since public school-teachers have great opportunities in the shaping of public sentiment for peace, we believe all Church of

the Brethren teachers should be placed on the mailing list for any news releases.

Each member agrees to give as wide publicity as possible through the press of any facts of which the public should be informed, such as have been gathered by the selected groups mentioned above.

We propose, further, that as an organization, and as individuals, we should influence legislation and use any other means expedient in building for peace.

Passed by unanimous vote of about fifty young people present.

Committee,
Merlin J. Royer,
Dorothy Schaeffer,
Olin Stine.

Harold Royer, Chairman of the Discussion Group.
H. Spenser Minnich, Adult Leader.

The following paragraph was added by the committee after the meeting:

As a definite step in the promotion of friendly relations between the United States and other nations, we propose that our colleges offer one or more scholarships to students from certain foreign countries, and that we secure scholarships in colleges in those countries for students who are members of the Fellowship for Peace Group. These students would then act as reporters to this organization.

SEEING VADA

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with our Indian helpers. A few months later the death angel called him to the great beyond. The heartbroken widow, who must sit in her house for one year in disgrace, from time to time sends us a pressing invitation to come and visit her and cheer her lonely hours. The grown son, who often comes to Mongrol, where we are now in camp, never leaves without calling at our tent for a few minutes' friendly chat."

Going on eleven miles further we come to Mongrol, the greatest scene of action for the Kaylors the past year. Meet them there in the tent now. A real jungle is this, you say. Quite true; nevertheless, there are open spaces here and there providing rice fields and gardens for the people of these hamlets. Rather, however, most of these fields are owned by sawakars (capitalists), who become rich by making others poor. In these hamlets live the aborigines of this section. In some emergency or other in time past they borrowed money or grain from the sawakars who, taking advantage of the illiteracy of these simple folk and their dire needs, have by excessive interest exactions, seldom less than 50% and often as much as 200% or more, gobbled up most of the land and reduced the people to abject poverty and servitude.

This is the condition now prevailing among the masses of India's rural folk. What joy is there in life under such conditions? Servitude, slavery, ignorance, superstition, with life and soul drenched in such—how can they even gain a faint conception of One who is merciful, who loves and who saves! Even when such a message strikes a responsive chord in an individual or group of individuals, the sawakar, seeing his gain departing, again takes advantage of their superstitious ignorance and intimidates them in various ways. Thus, while we endeavor to bear the message of a loving Savior by action and by teaching, we find many adversaries at work. Several times has the new boarding-school, recently established here, experienced such intimidations. The children and their parents have been told that the Sahib will take the children and flee to his country with them, or in some way or other will defile them. Now the Indian is proud of his caste, no matter how low down the scale it be, for there is always another lower over whom he can glory in himself, because of his higher status. So to keep undefiled is one of his most serious efforts.

Some of these farmers, however, have not yet fallen into the clutches of these sawarkars, and in emergency this year appealed to the missionary for help. Sack after sack of rice was given out to seed their fields, and when harvest rewarded them with abundant crops, they, every one, readily and joyously repaid the borrowed amounts, plus a normal interest.

Yes, brother, sister, remember you chose the trip by motor and hence have gotten only a few glimpses of Vada. When time is not so pressing come again, but by the leisurely way of the Indian bullock cart.

A WEEK WITH THE GIRLS AT DAHANU

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clothes, bedding, boxes, trunks are all taken out of the rooms and the floors are swept and plastered. Bathing, washing clothes,



Somlie Gets to Stay

and cleaning heads follow in order and out of order. By five o'clock everybody is clean and dressed, ready for the arrival of the visitors. They come at a quarter after. Who are they? Mr. Karandakar, a lawyer in Dahanu, and a member of the board of education of Thana District, and Mr. Takle, the head master of the schools of Dahanu Taluka (Township). These two, with twenty masters from the various schools in the taluka, came to see the girls take the "daily dozen." In the speeches that were made after the girls were through, they expressed their appreciation very elaborately.

CHINA NOTES FOR MAY

Lulu Coffman

The political situation still is tense. The nationalist army is gradually working north.

Our mission family are living in different parts of Mimosa Court, here in Tientsin. We had planned to move on to Peitaiho the first of June, but on account of the advance of the Southern army it seems best to remain here for the present.

Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Seese are the proud parents of a fine new daughter, Patricia Anne, who arrived April 30.

The Coffmans arrived in Tientsin April 30, having sailed from New York Jan. 7, en route to China via Palestine and India.

On May 17 the Field Committee and several others returned to Shansi for a conference with our Chinese leaders in regard to the work for the coming year, as well as the rest of this year. They received a hearty welcome and feel, as the following reports show, that the work is being carried on very well by our Chinese colleagues.

Ping Ting

The 6th of April all the missionaries left Ping Ting, having been called out by the American consul because of political disturbances. The medical work was left in the hands of the Chinese doctor and nurses. For a few days after the foreigners left there were not many patients in the dispensary, because they thought the hospital had been closed.

During the month of May Miss Flory and Dr. Coffman spent ten days in Shansi. Miss Flory gave most of her time to administrative work around the hospital and nurses' training school. Dr. Coffman lent his aid in the medical work, helping and encouraging Dr. Hsü.

The medical work has improved very much during the last month. The dispensary showed a daily average of thirty men and six women. More than forty were taken care of on several days during their stay.

Dr. Wang, one of the Chinese doctors, left about the middle of April. Dr. Hsü, the only doctor left, is kept busy most of the time. Besides the routine hospital work, he has a great many outcalls, which he makes at the hours of 11 A. M. and 5 P. M.

The nurses' training school is doing well. It was thought best for a number of the young nurses in training to go home while their superintendent was not with them. All the senior nurses have remained on duty. They will take the regular Nurses' Association examinations in December. Other nurses were registered for the first half of the examinations. The hospital work seemed to be going on well. The entire staff are taking a special interest in the work.

The evangelistic work in the hospital is taken care of very well, and all are very much interested in the

spread of the Gospel. This year they are trying to put a Gospel into the hand of every patient who enters the hospital, and help him to understand it.

All the schools were going nicely. They had some problems, but we always have problems in connection with schools. The Educational Board of the mission elected teachers for the schools next year. They expect to operate the schools as usual, provided political conditions do not interfere.

During the past six weeks the Ping Ting Girls' School has been without a head. The principal was compelled to leave on account of war conditions. The work was turned over to Miss Wang I Wên, a high-school graduate with four years' experience as a teacher. She felt the responsibility greater than she cared to carry, so Bro. Yin, the pastor, was appointed as advisor. He conducts the teachers' meeting and cares for all problems the teachers would rather not handle. He also leads one prayer service a week. The other chapel days are in the hands of the teachers.

The principal was permitted to visit the school for one short week, May 19 to 26. We found the work moving along nicely. These young people are to be praised for their loyalty and faithfulness in service. All but one are graduates of our own school and are now back teaching. This one is a local girl whom we helped through high school. All are Christians. There has been very little sickness and the attendance is fine. The week's visit was spent in work and play with teachers and pupils. We held many conferences, general and individual, drank tea, played games, and told stories under the wistaria vine. Never have we had such a welcome. We feel that the effort and money spent on this institution has entirely been worth-while. Let us continue to hold up their hands, especially in this trying hour.

Pastor Yin reported that the preaching services at Ping Ting were well attended as a rule since we left there. He seemed encouraged about this. The country evangelistic work was not so encouraging. The preaching in the tent had stopped. Those who were connected with this work reported much indifference on the part of the people. They also reported that they feared persecution. They seem to have been anxious to play safe, so they stopped the tent work. The main difficulty with this work is lack of leadership and devotion to the cause. Those who would be effectively used by the church in China must have a devotion to the cause of saving souls which is not easily intimidated nor discouraged. It is our earnest hope and prayer that political conditions will soon permit the missionaries to return to their work, so some one can supervise this work.

Liao Chou

I. E. Oberholtzer and Laura Shock went to Liao for a few days. It was gratifying to see the work going on very much as usual. The number of patients in the hospital continued about the same. The evangelists in both city and country districts were carrying on the work as usual, and the schools continued very much as before the missionaries were called out.

Miss Wang Chin Ai, who has been made responsible for the women's evangelistic work in and near the city, spent a few days in the hospital because of heart trouble.

Much credit is due to Dr. Wang, for, in addition to his duties in the hospital, he has spent much time and effort helping in the work of the station, wherever and whenever it was possible.

Five of our Liao girls had been attending the co-educational middle school at Ping Ting. When Miss Metzger left it was thought best for them to return to Liao. They are now continuing their studies in the Liao girls' school under the direction of some of the teachers from the boys' school.

Shou Yang

Even though all the foreigners have evacuated from Shou Yang, the work, to a casual observer, is being carried on practically without interruption. The Chinese leaders in every department are assuming full responsibility in the face of every discouragement.

The evangelists who have to travel about over the country have perhaps had the most discouraging time, and yet they face it courageously. The Shou Yang people have not forgotten the terrible killing of Christians in 1900. Upon being asked by local Chinese why he continued to preach and sell Gospels after all the foreigners had gone away, Bro. Kuo answered, "I worship Jesus Christ, and not the foreigners. And the foreigners cannot take my Christ away from me."

One of the lady teachers and all but two of the girls in the higher primary school left when the foreigners went away. Otherwise, the boys' and girls' schools are continuing without any apparent difficulty, and the spirit is excellent.

Bro. Flory and Bro. Heisey have just returned from a visit to Shou Yang and they feel much encouraged about the work. The local non-Christian people gave them a royal reception. There was no evidence of opposition to Christianity or foreigners.

Tai Yuan

Pastor Li was invited to represent Tai Yuan station at the conference held in Ping Ting. He reported that the work was continuing much as usual, in spite of the present difficulties. City work is always difficult, and doubly so in times like these. On the other hand, they have about forty members and an average church attendance of forty or fifty. Since old Mr. Tuan is gone and young Mr. Chang is taking school work, Pastor Li feels that he needs an assistant. Mr. Chang is still teaching English to the Boys' Club in the evenings. However, Pastor Li and Mrs. Chang are earnestly working to carry on.

AFRICA MISSION NOTES MARCH-APRIL, 1927

William M. Beahm

This is the choice time of the year not to be in this climate. True, the first weeks were freshened a bit by the last blessings of the passing cool season. And the last week was awakened by our first cooling showers. But the large part of these two months was given over to an orgy of unbridled heat. The third month should begin with a P instead of M. And as for April, " O to be in England now that April's here." But we have all lived through it and are in first class health.

The Kulps have moved four days to the east where they are beginning the work at Dille. Bro. Mallott has moved one day down the Hawal valley where he is beginning the work at Gardemna. Of the first duties at both places the building of a house is the most immediately important. This has gone forward under the burning sun and with the first rains just around the corner. Let us pray for them at both places as they win their way into the hearts of these needy people with the sacred and imperishable message of eternal salvation.

The school closed here at the end of April with an enrollment of 72 boys and an average attendance of 70. It was the end of a very gratifying year from the standpoint of regularity and number of attendance as well as the increase of school spirit and willingness on the part of parents to leave their children in our hands. Much of the gratification, however, is due to the progress evident in these elements rather than to any actual completed achievement. So we are looking forward with eagerness and hope to the beginning of another year of work after the crops get well under way. We are planning to get a far larger number of the available—and God knows hows needy!—boys into the school. And we are also planning to open a girls' boarding school, thus doing our best to insure the founding of intelligent and Christian homes without which our work here can hardly have abiding results.

The last day of the school year was given over to Field Day. The program began at noon with archery contests which would shame the most practiced group of Boy Scouts in America. There followed treasure hunts, races, stunts, games, all of which were climaxed by a greased pole climb which for sheer savage intensity would equal anything demanding concentrated effort one could wish to see. After all the doings, everybody—parents and children as well as king and subjects—partook eagerly of the tubs of mush and fleshpots filled with the fatted calf. A good time was had by all of the thousand Buras present except one boy who lost his blanket. He wept copiously all over the Hawal Valley that day but seems happy as ever since then. The people do not feel any less kindly to the school since the big day. And they neither danced nor drank.

The number of patients in the hospital has continued to increase. We have been especially happy to be able to minister to patients from a distance. The limitations of our field of work are more imaginary than real when we draw patients from a radius of over a hundred miles. There is a young elephantiasis case here now from Wuyo, which is on the farthest west edge of the whole Bura territory. Dr. Gibbel is establishing himself in the native mind as a healer of the sick. There is a distinct increase in the willingness of the patients to recuperate in the hospital. Whereas they have often gone home when proper care could be given only in the hospital, they are now anxious to spend their recuperating time here. Nothing could be more hopeful and essential for effective medical work than this.

This has been an intensive building season. Two new dwellings have been built at Garkidda. Also a unit of three industrial buildings and school dormitories for both boys and girls. The boys' and girls' dormitories are situated at opposite ends of our 30-acre compound and are the beginnings of larger plans. Besides the work here there is also the building necessary to begin work at Gardemna and Dille.

Meanwhile the classes of Christian boys continue to grow in understanding of both the difficulties and power of the Christian life. We are looking forward to our first baptisms in a month or so. And there are other boys ready to make their public confession earlier than that. The total number of budding Christians is over forty. One does not need to go very deeply into their lives to see that any sort of a Christian life on their part will cost them far more than many in our own Christian land are paying or in a test would be willing to pay. Our annual love feast on the eve of Good Friday was an occasion of great hope for we felt that another year would find a number of Buras as our brethren. God speed the day when not only these few but many, both from here and the remotest coasts, will be gathered into his kingdom which has no frontiers.

THE DESIRE OF INDIA

Is there a man who says of all.
Whether upon them sorrow fall,
Or whether joy—" These, these are mine "?
That is the saint: mark well the sign.
God dwells in him. The good man's breast
Is of all men's the tenderest.
Is any helpless or undone?
Be he a slave, be he a son:
On all alike he mercy shows,
On all an equal love bestows.

How oft must I this tale repeat!
That man is God's own counterfeit.

(Tukaram, a Vaishnavite Psalmist (1608-1649). Translated from the Marathi by N. Macnicol.

Tukaram, poet-saint, was a petty shopkeeper, born near Poona (1608-1649). He was passionately devoted to Vithoba, and his personal religious life is reflected with great vividness in his moving lines. His numerous psalms are of a very high order, and are probably the largest religious influence in the Maratha country. His worship centers in the image of his god Vithoba, or Vitthal, whose name is believed by some scholars to be a corruption of Visnu, and who is identified with Krisna.

The Workers' Corner

The editor invites helpful contributions for this department of the Visitor

MISSIONARY NEWS

Whereabouts of China Missionaries. A well-known missionary statistician estimates that of 8,200 missionaries related to China, 1,700 are at home on normal furloughs; 2,000 more are at home on advanced furloughs; 1,000 are in temporary residence in near-by countries; 1,000 are living in Shanghai, in addition to the 750 ordinarily resident in this city; and the rest are either permanently or temporarily located in Hongkong, Tsingtau, Chefoo, Tientsin, and Peking, excepting possibly 500 still remaining in interior cities. While these figures are not based on actual records, they doubtless give what is substantially the present situation.

Student Volunteer Movement Convention. The Tenth Quadrennial Convention of the Student Volunteer Movement for Foreign Missions of the United States and Canada will be held at Detroit, Mich., Dec. 28, 1927, to Jan. 2, 1928. The general theme of this foreign missions convention for students will be "Making Christ and His Way of Life Known the World Around—a Joint Responsibility." Students who believe that Christ is worth knowing, and his way of life worth practising regardless of race, place, or circumstance will be sent as delegates.

The convention will be educational in character. A frank and courageous presentation of the largest and most immediate problems confronting the foreign missionary enterprises today will begin the convention. Students will be asked to present issues and questions regarding foreign missions which give them real concern. A score or more sectional meetings will be held for an hour and a half each morning. No formal addresses will be given in these sectional meetings and the discussions will include issues and questions dealt with from the platform as well as those not so specifically discussed. Such features as a missionary play, a pageant, recreation, and music, are planned for the afternoons. The convention promises to be well worth while.

Who's Who in the Church. The mission rooms have just been favored with a scrap book of Who's Who in the Church prepared by the Frontier Boys of the Sugar Grove Camp in southern Ohio. Theodore Eley, Union City, Ind., teacher of the group, conceived the idea of acquainting the boys with the leaders of the church by having them prepare scrapbooks, pasting in pictures of leaders and brief notations concerning the work of each. We believe it is a splendid idea. Any other leader wishing to use the same idea may secure pictures of some of the church leaders from the General Sunday School Board, Elgin, Ill.

Pictures of Church of the Brethren Missionaries. Pictures of 99 of our foreign missionaries have been printed collectively on large sheets and are available at 5c per group. For years Vacation Bible School teachers have asked for such material. The difficulty of getting the pictures of all the missionaries has delayed the printing. Now about two-thirds of the pictures are available and the group has been printed. The pictures are the small ovals such as have appeared in the Missionary Visitor frequently. Order from General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill.

Ross Monument Unveiled at Camp Mack. On July 4 at Camp Mack near Milford, Ind., a monument was dedicated to A. W. Ross, deceased missionary to India. Secretary Bonsack was the speaker of the occasion. Pioneer missionary W. B. Stover was present as well as Mrs. Ross and her children. Camp Mack is taking recognition of the leaders of the church and giving them such honor as befits noble leaders. The attendance at this dedicatory service was large.

Missionary Heroes of Our Day. Bro.

Floyd Mallott is now located at Gardemna, about a day's journey from the other missionaries at Garkidda. On account of their son's health, Mrs. Mallott is in America a year before their regular furlough is due. Bro. Mallott gets lonesome and hungry to be with folks of his own race, but a consciousness of God's great purpose for the world, black folks included, sustains him in his brave adventure.

Breezes from Our Summer Pastors. "We are having very inspiring mid-week prayer meetings. They had none previous to our coming, but one brother said the other evening, 'Our prayer meeting is indispensable.'"

"Last week we visited thirty-nine homes, and they all gave us a hearty welcome. At least five of the families came to church yesterday as a result of our visit. I told some of them that I would look for them, and if I didn't see them, they could look for me."

"I intend to hunt up every one of the members of the church and others who are not members."

"I praise the Lord for the way these people respond. I know I am the happiest person here."

"I spent today 'sight-seeing'—in other words, with a map in hand, I walked around to various parts of the city of thirty thousand to get my bearings."

"My club girls are having a meeting today. I asked them last week to tell me what they would enjoy doing at our meetings. One of the girls asked if I wouldn't help them with Bible study. She said she thought we ought to use part of our club hour for that. Their earnestness and desire to know more about Christ gives me more real joy than anything else. Our first practical club work is to scrub the floor of our church and give it a general cleaning."

"So far our work has been interesting, enjoyable, and exciting. Between preaching, setting up housekeeping, becoming acquainted with the mountain people, and fording streams and rivers in a Ford, we have not become depressed. Beginning in a few days now we will without exception be teaching Vacation Schools every day. We are here in Virginia except Saturdays and Sundays, preaching each evening and several times on Sundays."

"This is a vital and inspiring experience for me. I am teacher, preacher, pastor, musician, etc., but in all this I myself am a great student. Surrounded by beautiful nature and good people, one learns really more than he tries to teach."

"I have finished my fourth week, which adds another delightful and profitable one to my work."

Wanting to Be Rich

It surely would grieve our dear Savior if we allow our missionaries to sacrifice any more in trying to meet these needs, while we sacrifice so little, and go on day by day using God's blessings on our own lusts. God has entrusted to me a little mite which I am very desirous to invest where it will yield the greatest returns. And as God pays the highest interest of any bank I know, I therefore invest in his bonds. I have always wanted to become very rich. That is rich toward God. I therefore deposit in his bank all that I have of this world's goods, praying it to be used to the glory of God,

Grampian, Pa. A Sister in Christ.

BOOK REVIEWS

The Story of Missions, by Edwin E. White. Missionary Education Movement; price, cloth, 75c; paper, 50c.

We have a very rich missionary heritage. Faith, courage, perseverance, self-sacrifice, and other virtues have been found in missionary leaders. This book of 211 pages is only a glimpse of the missionary spirit and heroism of the past, but it is an interesting glimpse. A good bibliography is given for further study.

In six chapters of the story the author portrays the spread of Christianity in the Roman Empire, over all Europe, to America, and then to the whole world. Christ left eleven students to convert the whole world. Undaunted by persecution, the early Christians soon had representatives in many lands. Rome objected to this new religion, which refused to worship her emperor. Thousands of brave Christians gave up their lives rather than to give up their Christ. Rome fell, but

Christianity spread rapidly over Europe. The missionary zeal of the Franciscans led them even to India and China. Later, America became a land of religious freedom. Untiring efforts to convert the Indians were made by some colonists, despite the selfishness shown by others. When will Marcus Whitman be forgotten? About 1800, Protestantism first thought of world evangelization. We will never forget the missionary zeal of Wm. Carey, Xavier, Count Zinzendorf, Robert Morrison, Adoniram Judson, James Chalmers, Robert Moffat, Livingstone, and many others. Our challenge is to dare to take Christ seriously and LIVE his way of life. Clarence D. Shockley.

Essays on Nationalism, by Carlton J. H. Hayes. Macmillan Co. Price, $3.

Professor Hayes, in this 279-page book, goes extensively into certain important factors in nationalistic feeling today. He regards nationalism as a combination of patriotism and the sense of nationality. He admits there is good in nationalism, but at the same time believes it to be the source of intolerance, militarism and war.

The Black Tents: A Junior Play of Life Among Bedouins in Syria, by Florence Crannell Means, 15 pp. Friendship Press, New York, 1926. Price, 25 cents.

Life in Moslem Lands—Picture Sheet. Friendship Press, New York, 1926. Price, 25 cents.

Wall Map of Moslem World. Two colors, showing important places and distribution of Moslem population. Missionary Education Movement, New York, 1926. Price, 60 cents.

Tara Finds the Door to Happiness—a Play for Juniors, by Florence Crannell Means, 23 pp. Friendship Press, New York, 1926. Price, 25 cents.

World Friendship Pictures—Set No. 1. Pictures of Moslem children. Missionary Education Movement, New York, 1926. Price, 75 cents a set.

Young Islam on Trek, by Basil Mathews, 219 pp. Friendship Press, New York, 1926. Price, paper, 60 cents; cloth, $1.

All books may be ordered from Brethren Publishing House. Elgin, Ill.

A Box of Questions

In this column questions about missions will be asked and answered. Questions in the minds of Visitor readers may be asked here.

1. What is the Mission Study text for the fourth quarter of the year?

No special text has been selected for the fourth quarter. "In Sunny Nigeria," by Helser, is the study book for 1927. It was used in the Sunday evening meetings during the first three months of the year. Churches that did not study it should do so now before the new study course of next year. The theme for 1928 will be "The Essentially Missionary Character of Christianity." The book for adults and young people will be "The Adventure of the Church," paper 60c, cloth $1.00. Texts for the children's groups will be announced soon.

Another book that deserves study is "Our Missions Abroad," by Moyer. Cloth only, 50c. Order all books from the Brethren Publishing House.

2. What missionary work is outlined for the children this year?

The children were given Africa mission study material in Our Boys and Girls beginning last January. As an outgrowth of this study they were asked to earn money during the year to support the Africa mission. They have the whole job except the supports of missionaries and the cost of new buildings. The latter is being done by the B. Y. P. D. (Brethren Young People's Departments). Children who did not start on the Africa project may do so yet, as the movement continues to the end of the year. All workers should send to General Mission Board for an enrollment blank. When this is signed and returned to Elgin the worker will receive a Junior League badge free and information through the year about the work in Africa.

3. Where are our China missionaries?

Eighteen are in China. They are located at 30 Mimosa Court, Tientsin. As much as possible some of them are in communication with and make personal visits to our mission territory.

Ten are in America, having returned here

because their work was temporarily disturbed. These missionaries for the most part plan to return to China as soon as the field is open.

Eleven have been on regular furlough during the past year and are now due to return to the field. Usually the return takes place in the month of August. The Mission Board is awaiting developments before giving sailing orders.

Five are on furlough having come home this spring at their regular time.

ARE THE BOYS ALL IN?

"Is it getting night?" said an Old Scotch mother, ninety-seven years of age. "Husband," she said, "is it getting night?" And her aged Scotch husband by her side, realizing that she was dying, bent down close to her and said, "Yes, Janet, it is getting night." She was wandering a bit and was back in the olden days with her loved ones, but he knew that the end was near. She was still a moment, and then said, "Are the boys all in?" "Yes," he said, "the boys are all in, Janet." The last one had gone home three years before. She was again still a moment more when she said, "I will soon be in. And you will soon come, too?" "Yes," he said, "by the grace of God, I will soon come, too." She reached out her thin hands in order that she might clasp them round his neck and draw him down to her side as she said, "And he will then shut us all in." "All in." I wonder if you can say it—with the boys all in; the girls all in. It is a sad thing to have a boy that is a wanderer, and a girl that is lost.—J. Wilbur Chapman, Woman's Home Missions.

Selected by Anna Lesh, Goshen, Ohio.

A NEW BULLETIN IDEA FOR PASTORS

The Layman Company is now putting out its Tithing Tabloids in four-page bulletin form, printed on two inside pages only, other two pages blank, for local material. The cost will give a saving of at least $5 per week to any pastor who uses four-page bulletins in his Sunday services. A good opportunity for five or ten weeks of tithe education without expense or special distribution. Twenty subjects to choose from. Sample set, 15 cents. Prices, 40 cents per 100; $3.00 per 1,000.

Address The Layman Company, 730 Rush St., Chicago, Ill.

THE CHRISTIAN SPIRIT GROWS IN CHINA

News recently came to us of a Chinese Christian who was put into prison with a common criminal. There was only one bed between them and the pastor urged the criminal to take the bed. The man refused, saying that he was in prison for his crimes but the pastor was an innocent man. They spent several days in the jail together and the result was that the criminal's life was changed through his contact with this pastor.

News like this of the direct effect of suffering borne in the Christian spirit comes in to us and shows that we are very far indeed from seeing the breakdown of Christianity in this time of trial.

While the actual loss of life and possibly even the destruction of property may prove to have been very much less than during the Boxer uprising, the menace to the church seems to me graver because it is a well directed and well thought out opposition, backed by the most skillful type of propaganda and linked to a large extent with the Nationalist movement. It is true that the Chinese Christians are, broadly speaking, keen Nationalists, but their position as such has not in the main been recognized. I am inclined, however, to think that the worst period of definite attack upon the church is passing and that many Chinese who are not connected with the church are beginning to realize that this kind of attack is essentially mistaken.—C. of R. Bulletin.

"Christian, dost thou see them
Coming to our shores;
Men from every nation
Knocking at our doors?
Christian, up and meet them;
Meet them ere they're lost;
Save them for the nation,
Save them by the cross.

"Christian, dost thou feel them;
Souls weighed down by sin;
Living in the darkness,
Where no light comes in?
Christian, up and save them,
Save them ere they're lost;
Save them for the nation,
Save them by the cross."

The Women's Department

Conducted by Nora M. Rhodes

DALLAS CENTER, IOWA

Women's Mission Study Books, 1927-28

NORA M. RHODES

1. A Straight Way Toward Tomorrow—Platt. Paper, 50c; cloth, 75c.

Chapter 1. A Safe Way for the Children—Child Welfare.

Chapter 2. The Starting Point—The Christian Home.

Chapter 3. The Broader Outlook—Books and Pictures.

Chapter 4. The Compass—Religious Education.

Chapter 5. Companions of the Way—Social Progress.

Chapter 6. Unto the Perfect Day—World-Wide Friendship.

The author takes up the child from the viewpoint of one deeply impressed with the grievous wrong done to childhood in all lands by the world war and other evils, now at work. There is a task before the Christian women to concern themselves with righting wrongs in every land, so that the children may walk toward Tomorrow by a safe and happy way.

This book has been especially prepared for use in Women's Missionary Societies.

2. The Story of Missions—White. Paper, 50c; cloth, 75c.

Chapter 1. Christianity Captures the Roman World.

Chapter 2. The Conversion of Europe.

Chapter 3. Bringing the Cross to the New World.

Chapter 4. Winning of America.

Chapter 5. The Church Seeks the Whole World.

Chapter 6. Christ and the Nations.

The story of the carrying of the good news of Christ from one land to another, down through the centuries, is a heritage of courage, faith, and self-sacrifice that should be shared by all. The author selects certain incidents, movements, and characters out of the record of nineteen centuries in an attempt to give us the story of the whole moving Christian enterprise.

It is with profound gratitude in our hearts that we hear of the women of the Church of the Brethren becoming more and more interested in mission study. The outcome of this interest has led many to step out in faith and courage to organize a Woman's Missionary Society. We trust this coming year will bring many more societies into existence over our Brotherhood.

In order that our programs and meetings may be more uniform we suggest that each society choose one of the early fall months (October preferred) for the beginning of the new year. For the benefit of those not having the booklet for the leader, brief suggestions on the devotions and chapters of our new book, "A Straight Way Toward Tomorrow," will be given each month, beginning with the September number.

While it may be well for all members to read the book in advance, it is quite essential that the president and program committee master the contents in advance. The summer may be used for this purpose to good advantage. Too much emphasis cannot be given preparedness in this matter. If yearly programs are printed, this should be done early. Hurry at the last moment leads to confusion and loss of spiritual assurance. Promotion activities rank in importance with the programs themselves. A well-prepared lesson is often ineffective when there is no advertising, no special invitations, no social room arrangements with a spirit of welcome. Our object is worthy of the best methods and efforts.

If we use human power alone in making

our plans for these meetings we shall probably fail, but by laying claim to the promises of the Supreme Leader, we cannot help but be richly blessed in our gatherings. Prayer in the meeting and in advance of the meeting becomes a vital force if thoughtfully planned. No group of women should hesitate in their plans and hopes for the missionary meeting because they feel they are too weak and small. Numbers and talents are insignificant compared to the aim, purpose, and spirit. A simple program prepared with an earnest heart will bear fruit.

Two suggestive yearly programs are here given. These are merely suggestions, as your program will doubtless need to be adapted to your local society:

A Year's Program—Suggestion No. 1

Book to be used October to March:

A Straight Way Toward Tomorrow.

October—Chapter 1.
November—Chapter 2.
December—Chapter 3.
January—Chapter 4.
February—Chapter 5.
March—Chapter 6.

Book to be used April to June:

The Story of Missions.

April—Synopsis of chapters 1 and 2.
May—Chapters 3 and 4.
June—Chapters 5 and 6.
July—Missionary News Day; news from missionary magazines.
August—Miscellaneous Missionary Program or Pageant.
September—Annual Business Meeting; election of officers, dues paying, mite box opening, etc.

A Year's Program—Suggestion No. 2

Book to be used October to March:

A Straight Way Toward Tomorrow.

October—Chapter 1.
November—Chapter 2.
December—Chapter 3.
January—Chapter 4.
February—Chapter 5.
March—Chapter 6.

Book to be used April to September:

The Story of Missions.

April—Chapter 1.
May—Chapter 2.
June—Chapter 3.
July—Chapter 4.
August—Chapter 5.
September—Chapter 6. Annual Business Meeting.

THE HERSHEY AID SOCIETY MEETING

At the Hillside Auditorium over a thousand women joined in the opening song, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name." The Elizabethtown and Manchester quartettes favored the audience with selections, and Sister Anna Hutchison of China read Psalm 67 and led in prayer.

The Pageant—The Needle Pushers

The first scene was a group of needle pushers doing "the usual things in the usual way." Scenes depicting the various projects of the Aid Society were then shown.

First came the India hospital work, in which a group in native costumes awaited their turn to receive help from the missionary doctor. In a Chinese home were the mother, daughter-in-law, and tiny sick baby. They received a visit from the missionary lady, and after much persuasion they were finally induced to take the baby to the hospital, where its life could be saved. The girls in the India Girls' Boarding School had a Bible lesson.

Bro. Early spoke briefly on the Greene County Industrial School, and this was followed by an original essay on "The Need of Industrial Work," by one of the girls of the school. The last project being the Africa hospital, numerous children were at an open-air dispensary conducted on an evangelistic tour.

The Business Period

A fine Christian spirit was shown throughout the business session, which was presided over by our president, Mrs. J. C. Myers, of Virginia.

Numerous items of business were transacted. Sufficient funds have been raised for the Africa hospital. The report of the committee on investigation for our next financial project was given.

1. The General Aid Society should center its efforts on the India field in further equipping the Quinter Memorial Hospital in the way of line wards; also a nurses' home

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THE JUNIOR MISSIONARY

Conducted by Aunt Adalyn

Do We Deny Christ to India's Children?

ALICE EBEY
Missionary to India

A true story from our India mission field to aid in presenting the India poster to children.

(Note.—This story is written to accompany the India posters which were issued in 1926. Some of the posters are yet available. We will send them free as long as the supply lasts. When ordering send to the General Mission Board and ask for the India poster published in 1926.)

THE great red sun was sinking behind the rugged hills, tipping them with gold and reflecting its glory to the clouds above. Suddenly the gate clicked, and looking up from the work we had brought out to the cool veranda, we saw a tall, scantily-clad man of the forest making his way straight toward us. Following close at his heels was a little girl of about ten years, carrying her baby sister on her hip. They did not have the bright, happy faces that you see in the picture of Heru and Rutnee. Their faces looked pinched and haggard and in their eyes was a haunted look of fear. The older girl seemed very weary, for her sister was probably three years old, much too heavy for such a frail ten-year-old to carry. But you see in the lower part of the poster that rather large Indian children like to ride on the hip.

As they drew near, the man folded both hands and, raising them to his forehead, fell cringingly at our feet. At a sign from her father, the older girl did likewise.

"Rise, brother, tell us your name and for what purpose you have come. Fear not, for we are just folks like you." Thus we tried to allay the fear and put them at their ease.

"I am Bala, a Bhil, and I have been living all my life in a village hidden far in the depths of these forests. These are my children, Parbatti and Laxmi. Their mother died a week ago. I have no money, and there is no work by which to earn our bread. We have all been sick. I heard that you worship a God who loves little children, and I thought you might have compassion on my little ones and give me work to fill my stomach." So spake our friend in rapid, excited tones, and it was with some difficulty that we understood his forest dialect.

We sent for Shivlibai, matron of the girls' school. Shortly a pleasant-faced, motherly woman appeared, saying quietly, "Mother, why did you call me?"

"Here are two motherless children. Do you think we can find room for them?" I asked with some misgivings, for that very day we had talked about the crowded little room that served as a home for some twenty girls.

"When God sends hungry, needy children, how can we refuse to take them in?" was her prompt reply. "I have not so soon forgotten the Bible lesson you gave today, and I will not forbid these children to come into our home, for they may find Jesus while with us."

Then turning to the children she said, "Come, we have supper ready and you are hungry." She brought them into a room where about twenty girls sat in a circle on the earth floor, dipping pieces of black nagli bread into cooked dhal, a pulse seasoned with red peppers. They were enjoying their meal and the savory smell made the little strangers hungrier still.

At a signal from the matron, the largest girl arose from her place, and picking up a vessel of water, she led the newcomers outside, telling them to wash and then come to join the evening meal.

Then, toasting three large, flat cakes of the nagli bread over the open fire in one corner, she placed them before the shy little strangers and served them with a portion of the dhal. Little Laxmi began devouring the food as fast as she could, but Parbatti waited, wondering how to behave in the presence of so many strangers. Another of the girls slipped to her side and whispered, "We always ask God to bless our food before we eat. Fold your hands like this, close your eyes and say the words after me." Sentence by sentence Parbatti repeated her first prayer and then silently ate her bread, all but half a cake which she tied in the dirty cloth wound around her waist. Experience had taught her that on the morrow there might be no bread.

Then came the evening prayers, with the girls clustering about the matron who sat on the floor and read them the story of Jesus and the children. "Now salaam, girls," she said as she left them, "see that you make the new children comfortable." "We will," they answered, "for we want them to learn to love Jesus." Then one of the girls gave Parbatti an old blanket, and soon she and little Laxmi were wrapped in it and lay fast asleep in the farthest corner somewhat apart from the others.

The next morning, after the others had gone to school, Shivlibai brought some clean clothes, and after the new girls had washed their hair and bathed their bodies with soap and hot water, she seated little Laxmi in front of Parbatti and seated herself behind Parbatti, and then began the hunt like you see near the bottom of the poster on the right hand side. Shivlibai poured the oil on their heads, and with little wooden combs they patiently combed out the lice. In an hour or two they looked as clean and well dressed as Heru and Rutnee, but not yet as plump and happy.

Meanwhile their father had found lodging in the village at the home of Pandu, who was once as poor and wretched as he, but now he was a Christian, owning a few cattle and farming some fields near by. See the houses and the village folk moving about and you will know in what kind of a place Bala was entertained that night.

"Our nagli is ripe," said Pandu in the morning, "and I need help to cut it and to carry it in." Look at the picture near the top of the left side and you will see how Bala cut nagli that day in Pandu's field and then, tying it in bundles, he carried it to the threshing floor near the house.

In the evening he received the regular day's wage, eight annas (about sixteen cents). Then he wondered how he could make his little girls happy with his money. At last he made up his mind to take them to a kinsman's wedding some distance away, for he could pay his little share towards the wine they would drink there.

He found the two little girls all clean and shining, sitting alone just outside the house, and the three slipped quietly out of the gate without being seen.

Night soon overtook them, so they stopped at a little tumble-down hut by the roadside. Several crude wooden gods, thin pieces of wood about eight inches high and daubed with red dye, were stuck in the ground inside the hut. A man and two boys sat in front of this idol temple making music on a crude violin and drum. All Indians love music, so the little girls were glad to stop. (See middle picture on the right.)

"I will give a pice to the gods; then they will do us no harm," and Bala laid one of his hard-earned coins before them. "Father," said Parbatti rather timidly, "they told us at the mission about a God who never does us harm. He loves little children and wants them to come unto him that he may bless them. Please take us back, so we may learn more of this Jesus God."

He gave no answer. Laxmi had fallen asleep and the others lay down on the ground beside her and were soon fast asleep, though the tum-tum of the musicians continued far into the night.

They were wakened in the early morning by the wedding song and the rattling of a bullock cart over the stony road. Bala hailed the driver, but they had no room in the cart, for the children, so the three were soon on their way back to the mission. (See top of right hand side.)

When they reached the edge of the village some magicians were playing tricks with snakes. (See lower left hand side.) One man blew a fife and the cobra would raise its hooded head ready to strike, but the magician would stroke it and it quietly nestled back in its basket. It seemed like

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A MOTHER OF AFRICA WITH HER TWIN CHILDREN

OUR BLACK BROTHERS

This large picture of the Bura mother and her twin children has been printed on separate sheets of paper and sent to all Junior Leaguers who are working for Our Black Brothers in Africa. If you have not received your picture there is something wrong. Maybe your name was never sent to the General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill., or it may be your leader has not yet distributed the pictures sent to her. Write at once and state that you are for the Black Brothers and join the happy missionary workers in the Church of the Brethren. This work continues until Christmas of this year. If you are not yet working get busy right away. Send to General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill., for blanks for you and your group. On these you can state your desire to join the missionary workers. All who join in will receive free of charge a **JCL** badge. It stands for Junior Church League.

TWINS IN BURALAND

Such wee "black brothers!" round and bare,
And blinking under Afric's sun;
They snuggle up in mother's love,
But for the Christ they need be won.

All o'er our dear America
Our boys and girls are pledged to toil
For means to send fresh workers out
To plant Christ's love in that black soil.

Some day those brothers will rise up
And thank the children of our land
For such good news of love and peace,
Dispensed with such a friendly hand.

Come, share your blessings with the twins!
Let not the golden chance go by;
Our Father's asking, "Will you help?"
Step out and cheerily answer "Aye!"

"Aunt Adalyn."

Twins in Buraland

A Message for the J. C. L. Workers

HOMER L. BURKE, M. D.

AMONG the tribes of Northern Nigeria in Africa twins are hardly considered as evidence of good fortune. Some tribes even consider them as a dire calamity and an evidence of God's disfavor. Various sacrifices are often offered to the spirits when twins are born.

Practices among the tribes vary concerning twins. Some tribes kill both the children as soon as they are born, while others through some method of divination determine which one of the two should live and then destroy the other. Some people place the children beneath the guinea corn bin and then watch to see what they will do. The one that kicks and squirms out from under the bin first is taken to be the stronger and so his life is saved while that of the other is destroyed. Instead of killing the children outright some of the tribes cast them off into the bush so that they will be devoured by wild animals or else die from exposure and starvation. Others are thrown into the rivers to be devoured by the crocodiles.

Twins among the Bura people are, as among most of the other pagan tribes, considered quite a misfortune. When a child is born in Buraland it is the custom for the father to make an offering with a chicken or goat. The meat of the offering is then eaten by the friends of the family and the mother. So when there are twins the expense is doubled which the father considers quite a hardship. Twins among the Buras, whether boys or girls, are usually given the names of "Mwada" and "Thlama." Occasionally both children grow up, but frequently two children are too much for one mother to care for and so one or both die from neglect.

Some rather odd beliefs are connected with twins among the Buras. Should one die and later another child be born, the belief is that God sent the twin that died back to earth again. This child is made much of and is given many things that other children of his own age would not have. Because, they say, he has been to heaven and so we must be good to him or

else he will not like it here on earth and will return to heaven again.

When one considers the mode of living among the Africans, the hard lot of the African mother in raising and preparing food for the family, one can see that it would be very hard for her to care for two babies at one time. It is hard to accommodate two babies in an African cradle. The African cradle is the mother's back. So, unless she has a friend or another older child to help her, one of the children must needs lie in the house on the bed or floor. The little ones have no clothing and the only way that a baby has of keeping warm is to ride in the cradle. The one that rides stays warm and the other one gets cold which very often leads to severe lung diseases.

There are many things that the Christian missionaries have to teach to the Africans. The big lesson of properly caring for the little tots is one of the most important of all. The children of America are helping to save the lives of their "Black Brothers" by their labors for the "Black Brothers Fund."

BY THE EVENING LAMP

Dear Aunt Adalyn: May I enter your circle? I have never written before, but I like to read the letters of the Juniors. I am twelve years old, and in the eighth grade at school. I have a brother Marion and a sister Virginia. I go to the Okanogan Valley church. My father is a minister. We all belong to the church. The name of my class is "Excelsior Band." Mrs. W. A. Deardorff is our teacher.

Oroville, Wash. Leona Stern.

I think "Virginia" is a pretty name, maybe because it belongs to my little granddaughter too! You cracked all the May "Nuts" wide open!

Dear Aunt Adalyn: I was fourteen last January 12. Have I a twin? I live two miles northwest of town on a farm. I certainly like farm life—I think the farm is the best place in the world for children to live. I go to school on a truck. I will be a Junior in high school next term. We sure do have a nice school building. Aunt Adalyn, you ought to see it now, the campus is so beautiful. We children are named Mildred, 16, Lloyd, 12, Galen, 9, and Joy, 5. For pets we have a squirrel, cat, dog, and two ponies. I am a member of the Brethren church. After I finish high school I want to go to college and study to be a missionary. I was sorry to miss church yesterday because it rained so hard. I hope lots of Juniors will write to me. I will gladly answer their letters.

Thomas, Okla., Route A. Iva Verle Christensen.

I had a delightful little vacation in Nebraska and Kansas some weeks ago, but am sorry I could not stretch it out into Oklahoma. College campuses always have a spcial attraction for me!

Dear Aunt Adalyn: It has been a long time since I have written to you. I have been earning a little bit of money this summer, picking dandelion flowers out of the yard, selling flowers, rhubarb, and dandelions. I sold about thirteen dollars' worth of dandelions, of which I am sending ten dollars for the Africa Mission. I will be in the fifth grade next year, and Miss Winand will be my teacher.

East Berlin, Pa. Frances E. Shaffer.

That is a fine record for so early in the season. The Mission Rooms expanded into a big smile on the receipt of your contribution.



Frances E. Shaffer, East Berlin, Pa., picking dandelions for the sake of her "Black Brothers" in Africa

NUTS TO CRACK

Transformations

Change "dirt" into "coin."
(Change one letter at a time, thus: Dirt, dire, wire, wine, pine, pone, cone, core, corn, coin.)
Change "sun" to "fog" in 4 moves.
Change "pup" to "cat" in 3 moves.
Change "ear" to "toe" in 4 moves.
Change "boy" to "man" in 3 moves.
Change "hot" to "dry" in 4 moves.
Change "Jim" to "Bob" in 4 moves.
Change "sky" to "wet" in 4 moves.
Change "air" to "fly" in 6 moves.

Dissected Word

I am composed of 12 letters.
My 1, 2, 10, is a vessel.
My 3, 4, 7, 8, is a river in Egypt.
My 5, 6, 10, 9, 3, is a musical instrument.
My 10, 9, 7, 8, is a high wind.
My 12, 9, 10, 8, 6, is keenly desirous.
My 7, 9, 3, 10, 11, 5, 6, is listless indolence.
My 1, 5, 4, 3, is to unite.
My 6, 5, 10, 11, 12, is a scamp.
My whole is an organization working for Our Black Brothers.

(Answers Next Month)

JULY NUTS CRACKED

Dissected Word.—Our Black Brothers.

A Landscape After a Storm.—1. Trees. 2. Shrubs. 3. Grass. 4. Flowers. 5. Clouds. 6. Rocks. 7. Hills. 8. Rainbow.

DO WE DENY CHRIST TO INDIA'S CHILDREN

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a miracle, but like thousands of others, they did not know that the fangs had been removed. Bala laid down a four-anna piece before the reptile, saying, "Now I gave the snake god half my earnings, and he won't harm us now."

"I like the Jesus God," exclaimed Parbatti, "for he blesses children and never harms them."

When Bala was chided for running away, he solemnly promised that he would never do so again, and he never did. In the evening the children repeated the stories of Jesus which they learned in school, and then they taught their father how to pray. By and by they were baptized and came regularly to the little brown church to worship.

They liked to hear the school lads play their instruments and sing about Jesus. They thought it was better than the magicians could do. Look at the bright-faced schoolboys at the bottom of the page.

Look once more at the poster and see how the cross of Jesus fits into the heart-shaped map of India. It is an emblem of India's need of the crucified Christ. How much are you doing to bring Christ to the children of India?

"THIS I KNOW"

There is a little children's hymn
That childish voices oft repeat,
And when we come to man's estate
What can we find more true and sweet?
Out of the swiftly passing years
Since first we sang it, long ago,
What have we salvaged from life's wrecks
Save: "Jesus loves me, this I know"?

"Jesus loves me, this I know";
When we are drifting, sore perplexed,
Lost on the seething flood of thoughts
With which the minds of men are vexed,
This is the rock forever fixed,
While worldly torrents ebb and flow,
Where we may rest in peace secure,
Because: "The Bible tells me so."

Yes, "the Bible tells me so,"
In hours of darkness and of pain;
Amid the changing things of earth,
Where naught we love can long remain;
In times of trouble and of dread,
When new things come and old things go,
This shall abide, unchanged and sure,
That: "Jesus loves me, this I know,"
Though sins weigh heavy on our souls,
Though cares oppress our weary hearts,
Yet still the glad assurance rings
And comfort, strength and joy imparts,
No sweeter song our lips can learn,
Than: "Jesus loves me, this I know";
And age can end where youth began
Because: "The Bible tells me so."

—Annie Johnson Flint, in S. S. Times.

THE WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT

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and hospital line wards at Dahanu should be built. There is to be a pledge of $15,000, to be paid in three installments of $5,000 each year.

2. It was further suggested that each of the four national districts take up its own project, the denominational schools receiving first support.

This entire report was accepted.

Mrs. M. J. Weaver of Pennsylvania was reëlected vice-president on the General Board. Alice C. Blough was appointed on the board of directors for the Greene County Industrial School.

After several other items of business, the meeting of 1927 was brought to a close by Alice K. Ebey of India giving the closing prayer.

FINANCIAL REPORT

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Eby,	5.30
Maryland—$475.00	
Mid. Dist., Sunday Schools for B. F. Summer & H. P. Garner,	475.00
Nebraska—$72.58	
Bethel Cong. for R. C. Flory,	72.58
Ohio—$139.00	
N. E. Dist., Owl Creek Cong. for Lola Helser, $70.61; Olivet S. S. for A. D. Helser, $68.39,	139.00
Pennsylvania—$1,230.03	
E. Dist., Peach Blossom Cong. for Anna Hutchison, $115.03; White Oak Cong. for Ruth Mallott, $300; Conestoga Cong. for Ida Buckingham, $275,	690.03
Mid. Dist., Everett Cong. for Dr. Carl Coffman,	90.00
S. E. Dist., Coventry Cong. for H. Stover Kulp,	150.00
So. Dist., Miss'y Soc., Waynesboro for Lizzie N. Flory,	300.00
Virginia—$175.00	
Sec. Dist., "Willing Workers" Class (Middle River) for Verna Flory, $150; Willie B. and Mae Lillie Cline (Lebanon) for Alfred E. Hollenberg, $25,	175.00
Washington—$100.00	
Aid Soc., Wenatchee Valley for Ada D. Hollenberg,	100.00
Total for the month,	$ 4,049.61
Total previously reported,	6,821.66
	10,871.27
Correction No. 11,	131.67
Total for the year,	$ 11,002.94

FINANCIAL REPORT

Conference Offering, 1927. As of June 30, 1927, the Conference (Budget) offering for the year ending February 29, 1928, stands as follows:
Cash received since March 1, 1927 .....$117,806.79

(The 1927 Budget of $408,300.00 is 28.8% raised, whereas it should be 33.2%.)

Mission Board Treasury Statement. The following shows the condition of mission finances on June 30, 1927:

Income since March 1, 1927	$113,449.67
Income same period last year	111,627.68
Expense since March 1, 1927	119,600.52
Expense same period last year	100,979.96
Mission deficit June 30, 1927	15,035.46
Mission deficit May 31, 1927	42,464.64
Decrease in deficit for June, 1927	27,429.18

Tract Distribution: During the month of May the Board sent out 2,114 doctrinal tracts.

Correction No. 9: See June, 1927, Visitor under India Share Plan credit of $25 to Mrs. A. B. Gettel, Fla., has since been cancelled as bank failed on which check was drawn.

Correction No. 10: See August, 1926, Visitor, also March, 1927, Visitor—under India Boarding School, credit of $13 and $12, respectively, Character Builders' Class, Midway, E. Pa., should instead be credits to India Share Plan.

Correction No. 11: See May, 1927, Visitor—under Conference Budget, credit of $131.67 to Mt. Morris Cong., No. Ill., has since been indicated was intended for support of Sadie J. Miller.

May Receipts: The following contributions for the various funds were received during May:

WORLD-WIDE MISSIONS

Arizona—$30.61
S. S.: Glendale, ...$ 30.61

California—$514.11
No. Dist., Cong.: Rio Linda, $16.45; Chico, $12; Waterford, $15.56; Raisin City, $8.30; Laton, $30; W. S. Fahnestock (Oakland) $10; S. S.: Oakland, $9.56; McFarland, $22.32; Reedley, $3.65; Live Oak, $7.02, ... 134.86
So. Dist., Cong.: Covina, $267.25; E. San Diego, $16.25; Ira Studebaker (Pomona) $2; S. S.: "Gleaners" Class (First Los Angeles) $25; "Abiding Branches" Class (First Los Angeles) $25; Aid Soc.: First Los Angeles, $25; C. W. S.: E. San Diego, $12; Indv.: Bro. Huff of El Centro, $6.75, ... 379.25

Canada—$20.00
Aid Soc.: Redcliff, $10; Indv.: J. V. Grabill & Wife, $10, ... 20.00

Colorado—$51.95
E. Dist., Cong.: Miami, $19.95; Haxtun, $20; Indv.: Josie Lohmiller in memory of her mother, Mrs. Therese Lohmiller, $12, ... 51.95

Idaho—$48.00
Cong.: Boise Valley, $43; J. B. Lehman (Nezperce) $5, ... 48.00

Illinois—$668.00
No. Dist., Cong.: First Chicago, $500; Milledgeville, $22.77; Elgin, $16.51; S. S.: Sterling, $19.37; Hastings St. (First Chicago) $21.04; Aid Soc.: First Chicago, $75, ... 654.69
So. Dist., Cong.: Liberty, $4.98; Astoria & Woodland, $4.23; Virden, $4.10, ... 13.31

Indiana—$445.57
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Roann, $8.87; Wabash, $5; Clear Creek, $15.94; A. R. Eikenberry (M. N.) (Manchester) $.50; S. S.: "Soul Winners" Class (Peru) $40.66; Bethany Class (Peru) $35; Burnettsville, $23.65; Markle, $10.82; Beaver Creek, $40; Aid Soc.: So. Whitley, $.85, ... 181.29
No. Dist., Cong.: LaPorte, $100; Maple Grove, $16.58; Pine Creek, $20.02; S. S.: Primary Dept. (First So. Bend) $2.50; Intermediate Dept. (First So. Bend) $2.50; First So. Bend, $44.76; Auburn, $6.36; No. Liberty, $25, ... 217.72
So. Dist., S. S.: Anderson, ... 46.56

Iowa—$74.89
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Muscatine, $45.60; Y. P. D.: Dallas Center, $7.62, ... 53.22
So. Dist., Cong.: No. English, $19.70; S. S.: Franklin, $1.97, ... 21.67

Kansas—$33.18
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Ottawa, ... 4.68
S. E. Dist., Indv.: A. A. Patteson & Wife (Grenola), ... 8.00
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Rev. E. R. Myers (M. N.) (Pleasant View) $.50; S. S.: Monitor, 20.50

Maryland—$196.76
E. Dist., Cong.: Westminster (Meadow Branch) $72.76; S. S.: Bush Creek (Pleasant Hill) $4, ... 76.76
W. Dist., Cong.: Bear Creek, $10; C. H. Merrill & Wife (Cherry Grove) $10; Lillie Merrill (Cherry Grove) $100, ... 120.00

Michigan—$79.79
Cong.: Beaverton, $10.90; Sugar Ridge, $3.50; Hart, $1.87; Harlan, $3.05; Lake View, $2.66; Vestaburg, $2,81; Wm. Smith & Wife (Hart) $5; Indv.: D. S. Kniesley, $50, ... 79.79

Minnesota—$9.89
S. S.: Lewiston, $7.44; Indv.: Orin Chapman, $2.45, ... 9.89

Missouri—$9.05
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Mary M. Cox (Warrensburg), ... 2.00
S. W. Dist., Cong.: C. Cline (Fairview) $5; Aid Soc.: Cabool, $2.05, ... 7.05

Nebraska—$14.03
Cong.: Enders, $4.43; Octavia, $4.60; S. S.: Afton, $5, ... 14.03

New Mexico—$24.58
Cong.: Clovis, ... 24.58

North Carolina—$8.00
Indv.: J. I. Branscom, ... 8.00

North Dakota—$14.50
Cong.: Kenmare, $10; S. S.: Egeland, $4.50, 14.50

Ohio—$166.64
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Frank Leatherman (Mt. Zion) $2; S. S.: Olivet, $5; Owl Creek, $4.87, ... 11.87
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Dupont, $43.14; S. S.: Walnut Grove (Silver Creek) $51.01, ... 94.15
So. Dist., S. S.: Painter Creek, $5.77; Indv.: Chas. L. Flory (M. N.) $1; District Meeting, $53.85, ... 60.62

Pennsylvania—$618.27
E. Dist., Cong.: Wm. K. Conner (M. N.) (Harrisburg) $1; Martha Light (Hatfield) $4; Unknown donor (Elizabethtown) $1; H. B. Yoder (M. N.) (Lancaster) $1; S. S.: Indian Creek, $25.71; E. Fairview, $15; Reading, $48.35; E. Petersburg, $9.33; Ephrata, $25.64; Spring Creek, $2.90; District Meeting: (Big Swatara) $55.45; Indv.: Mrs. Margaret Coble, $1, ... 190.38
Mid. Dist., Cong.: 28th St. Altoona, $25; Lewistown, $66.34; Mary A. Kinsey (Dunnings Creek) $10; Philip Wyles (Snake Spring) $50; S. S.: James Creek, $2.71; Curryville (Woodbury) $6.28; Sugar Run (Aughwick) $3.03; Rockhill (Aughwick) $5.12; Maitland (Dry Valley) $7.45; Women's Miss'y Soc.: 1st Altoona, $3, ... 178.93

S. E. Dist., Cong.: F. W. Price (Germantown-Phila.) $100; S. S.: Quakertown (Springfield) $34.43, ... 134.43

So. Dist., Cong.: J. E. Hollinger (Huntsdale) $50; S. S.: Melrose (Upper Codorus) $4.50; New Fairview, $7.01; Pleasant Hill (Codorus) $3.77; Brandts (Back Creek) $5, 70.28

W. Dist., Cong.: Morrellville, $6.63; Red Bank, $4.36; Susie McKeown (Greenville-Rockton) $1; Mrs. Wilbur Bloom (Greenville-Rockton) $1; C. W. S.: Berkey (Shade Creek) $12; Aid Societies, $19.26, ... 44.25

Tennessee—$13.00
Cong.: New Hope, ... 13.00

Virginia—$355.32
E. Dist., Cong.: Hollywood, $1.43; Belmont, $13.55; Manassas, $7.98; Valley, $12.04; Nokesville, $1.89; Midland, $14.11; C. B. I. S. (Mt. Carmel) $3.54; S. S.: Valley, $14.19, .. 68.73

First Dist., S. S.: Junior Class, Bethesda (Cloverdale) $5; Green Hill, $5.96, ... 10.96

No. Dist., S. S.: Salem, ... 19.04

Sec. Dist., Cong.: Sangerville, $17.19; John S. Flory (M. N.) (Bridgewater) $.50; S. S.: "Willing Workers" Class (Middle River) $196; Bridgewater, $13.15; Sangerville, $6.25; Aid Soc.: No. 1, Sangerville, $11.75; No. 2, Sangerville, $11.75, ... 256.59

Washington—$36.32
Cong.: Outlook, $24.31; Whitestone, $7.35; S. S.: Mt. Hope, $4.66, ... 36.32

West Virginia—$161.00
First Dist., Cong.: Old Furnace, ... 10.00

Sec. Dist., Cong.: Bethany, $40; Pleasant Valley, $13; Shiloh, $14; Union Chapel, $16; Mt. Zion, $5; Valley River, $52; Beans Chapel, $5; Goshen, $6, ... 151.00

Wisconsin—$7.27
S. S.: White Rapids, $5.27; Maple Grove, $2, ... 7.27

Total for the month, ... $ 3,600.73
Total previously reported, ... 7,778.32

Total for the year, ... $11,379.05

STUDENT FELLOWSHIP FUND—1926-1927

Illinois—$247.18
No. Dist., Student Volunteers of Mt. Morris College, $40; Student Volunteers of Bethany Bible School, $207.18, ... 247.18

Indiana—$1.50
Mid. Dist., Student Volunteers of Manchester College, ... 1.50

Pennsylvania—$13.00
Mid. Dist., Students & Faculty of Juniata College, ... 13.00

Total for the month, ... $ 261.68
Total previously reported, ... 622.50

Total for the year, ... $ 884.18

AID SOCIETY FOREIGN MISSION FUND

Colorado—$10.00
W. Dist., Aid Soc.: First Grand Valley, .. 10.00

Indiana—$29.00
Mid. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 29.00

Iowa—$150.00
No. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 150.00

Missouri—$38.50
Mid. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 38.50

North Dakota—$53.00
Aid Societies, ... 53.00

Oregon—$25.00
Aid Soc.: Portland, ... 25.00

Tennessee—$67.50
Aid Societies, ... 67.50

Virginia—$135.00
First Dist., Aid Societies, ... 135.00

Total for the month, ... $ 508.00
Total previously reported, ... 1,646.12

Total for the year, ... $ 2,154.12

HOME MISSIONS ....

California—$10.00
So. Dist., Cong.: A Sister (San Bernardino), ... 10.00

Miscuri—$10.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Broadwater, ... 10.00

Virginia—$5.00
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Ressie Kanost (Moscow), ... 5.00

West Virginia—$25.00
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Bethany, $20; Pleasant Valley, $5, ... 25.00

Total for the month, ... $ 50.00
Total previously reported, ... 81.27

Total for the year, ... $ 131.27

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Idaho—$5.00
Cong.: A Brother (Payette), ... 5.00

Illinois—$25.00
No. Dist., Cong.: M. D. Wingert (Franklin Grove), ... 25.00

Michigan—$11.12
S. S.: Lake View, ... 11.12

Ohio—$19.93
N. E. Dist., Cong.: A Sister (Mohican), .. 15.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Middletown, ... 4.93

Pennsylvania—$50.00
E. Dist., Cong.: No. 97637 (Maiden Creek), 25.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Harmonyville, ... 25.00

Washington—$5.00
Cong.: Omak, ... 5.00

Total for the month, ... $ 116.05
Total previously reported, ... 914.36

Total for the year, ... $ 1,030.41

JUNIOR LEAGUE—1926

Indiana—$25.85
No. Dist., S. S.: Children of Center, $12; Junior Boys and Girls, Bremen, $13.85, ... 25.85

Iowa—$60.75
No. Dist., S. S.: Junior & Primary Classes, Ivester, ... 60.75

Nebraska—$15.00
S. S.: Children of Ira & Edith Kindig (So. Beatrice), ... 15.00

Total for the month, ... $ 101.60
Total previously reported, ... 600.61

Total for the year, ... $ 702.21

B. Y. P. D. FUND—1927

Idaho—$5.55
Y. P. D.: "Excelsior Class" (Fruitland), 5.55

Maryland—$25.00
E. Dist., C. W. S.: Frederick City, ... 25.00

Washington—$10.00
B. Y. P. D.: Omak, ... 10.00

Total for the month, ... $ 40.55
Total previously reported, ... 165.45

Total for the year, ... $ 206.00

INDIA MISSION

California—$2.00
So. Dist. Cong.: No. 97831 (Pomona), ... 2.00

Illinois—$15.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Rachael Phillips (Okaw), 15.00

Oklahoma—$80.00
S. S.: Big Creek, ... 80.00

Oregon—$5.00
S. S.: Ready Service Class (Ashland), ... 5.00

Pennsylvania—$52.51
E. Dist., S. S.: Young Women's Bible Class (Richland) $10; Midway (Anklesvar Training School $35, ... 45.00

So. Dist., Cong.: H. K. Latshaw (Shippensburg) $3; Indv.: Flora M. Dicks (Hampton) $4.51, ... 7.51

Washington—$15.00
Cong.: Samuel Bock (No. Spokane), ... 15.00

Total for the month, ...$ 169.51
Total previously reported, ... 229.03

Total for the year, ...$ 398.54

INDIA NATIVE WORKER

Pennsylvania—$20.00
E. Dist., Cong.: Chas. C. Madeira & Wife (Lake Ridge $10; Indv.: C. C. Madeira, Jr., $10, ... 20.00

Total for the month, ...$ 20.00
Total previously reported, ... 230.00

Total for the year, ...$ 250.00

INDIA BOARDING SCHOOL

Iowa—$5.00
So. Dist., S. S.: So. Keokuk, ... 5.00
Pennsylvania—$111.05
So. Dist., S. S.: First York, ... 111.05

Total for the month, ...$ 116.05
Total previously reported, ... 101.75

217.80
Correction No. 10, ... 25.00

Total for the year, ...$ 192 80

INDIA SHARE PLAN

California—$56.00
No. Dist., S. S.: "I Will" Class (Empire), ... 25.00
So. Dist., S. S.: "Friendship" Bible Class (Pasadena), ... 31.00
Indiana—$225.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: W. Manchester, $50; Aid Soc.: Manchester, $100, ... 150.00
No. Dist., S. S.: Ladies' Bible Class (First So. Bend), ... 25.00
So. Dist., Aid Soc.: White Branch (Nettle Creek), ... 50.00
Iowa—$50.00
No. Dist., C. W. S.: Sheldon, ... 50.00
Ohio—$87.50
N. W. Dist., S. S.: Primary Class (Pleasant View), ... 37.50
So. Dist., Cong.: N. D. Groff (Beech Grove), 50.00
Oregon—$50.00
Cong.: H. H. Ritter & Wife (Mabel) $25; S. S.: Mabel, $25, ... 50.00
Pennsylvania—$135.00
E. Dist., Cong.: Two Sisters (Indian Creek) $50; S. S.: "Young Ladies" Willing Workers Class (Conestoga), $25, ... 75.00
So. Dist., S. S.: "Sunbeam" Class (Ridge), 10.00
W. Dist., S. S.: Young People's Organized Bible Class, Beachdale (Berlin) $25; "Hopeful Band" (Windber), $25, ... 50.00
Texas—$50.00
S. S.: Manvel, ... 50.00

Total for the month, ...$ 653.50
Total previously reported, ... 618.50

1,272.00
Correction No. 9, ... 25.00

1,247.00
Correction No. 10, ... 25.00

Total for the year, ...$ 1,272.00

QUINTER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Pennsylvania—$30.00
E. Dist., S. S.: "Gleaner's Class" (Ephrata), ... 30.00

Total for the month, ...$ 30.00
Total previously reported, ... 30.00

Total for the year, ...$ 60.00

INDIA HOSPITALS

Idaho—$34.50
S. S.: Junior Boys & Girls (Fruitland), .. 34.50

Total for the month, ...$ 34.50
Total previously reported, ... 50.00

Total for the year, ...$ 84.50

VYARA CHURCH BUILDING

Pennsylvania—$18.75
E. Dist., Cong.: Elizabethtown, ... 18.75

Total for the month, ...$ 18.75
Total previously reported, ... 129.34

Total for the year, ...$ 148.09

CHINA MISSION

California—$45.13
No. Dist., Cong.: Chowchilla, $13.48; Modesto, $12.50; Figarden, $14.15, ... 40.13
So. Dist., Aid Soc.: Hemet, ... 5.00
Colorado—$40.00
E. Dist., Cong.: Colo. Springs, ... 40.00
Illinois—$10.65
No. Dist., Cong.: No. 97666 (Franklin Grove), ... 10.65
Indiana—$15.00
Mid. Dist., Aid Soc.: Clear Creek, ... 15.00
Iowa—$4.95
So. Dist., S. S.: Salem, ... 4.95
Washington—$7.00
Cong.: Omak, ... 7.00

Total for the month, ...$ 122.73
Total previously reported, ... 424.02

Total for the year, ...$ 546.75

CHINA NATIVE WORKER

Ohio—$25.00
So. Dist., S. S.: "Builders" Class (Castine), ... 25.00

Total for the month, ...$ 25.00
Total previously reported, ... 30.40

Total for the year, ...$ 55.40

CHINA SHARE PLAN

California—$9.00
No. Dist., S. S.: Primary Dept. (Empire), 9.00
Indiana—$50.00
No. Dist., S. S.: Men's Bible Class (First So. Bend), ... 50.00
Kansas—$25.00
S. W. Dist., S. S.: Primary Dept. (Salem), 25.00
Maryland—$6.25
E. Dist., S. S.: Mission Study Class (Long Green Valley), ... 6.25
Pennsylvania—$50.00
E. Dist., S. S.: Young People's Organization (Conestoga), ... 50.00

Total for the month, ...$ 140.25
Total previously reported, ... 580.88

Total for the year, ...$ 721.13

LIAO CHOU HOSPITAL

West Virginia—$10.00
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Bethany, ... 10.00

Total for the month, ...$ 10.00
Total previously reported, ... 3.35

Total for the year, ...$ 13.35

SWEDEN MISSION

Kansas—$3.95
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Ottawa, ... 3.95

Total for the month, ...$ 3.95
Total previously reported, ... 10.00

Total for the year, ...$ 13.95

DENMARK MISSION

Kansas—$3.95
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Ottawa, ... 3.95

Total for the month, ...$ 3.95
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ...$ 3.95

AFRICA MISSION

California—$6.19
No. Dist., S. S.: "True Blue" Class (McFarland), ... 6.19

Idaho—$5.00
Aid Soc.: Nezperce, ... 5.00

Indiana—$16.27
No. Dist., Cong.: Camp Creek, ... 16.27

Kansas—$5.00
N. E. Dist., S. S.: "The Live Wire" Class (Appanoose), ... 5.00

Maryland—$3.20
E. Dist., S. S.: College Class (Pipe Creek), 3.20

Michigan—$.50
Cong.: Beaverton, ... .50

Missouri—$7.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Mary M. Cox (Warrensburg) $2; M. S. Mohler (Mineral Creek) $5, 7.00

New Mexico—$27.10
S. S.: Clovis, ... 27.10

North Dakota—$20.00
Cong.: Elsie Larsen (Kenmare) $5; Addie Larsen (Kenmare) $15, ... 20.00

Ohio—$12.00
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Sugar Ridge, ... 10.00
So. Dist., C. E.: Juniors (Piqua), ... 2.00

Pennsylvania—$50.02
E. Dist., Cong.: Bernice Gibble (Lancaster) $10; Young People's Organization: Conestoga, $16.50, ... 26.50
W. Dist., Cong.: Ten Mile, $7; D. V. B. S.: Rummel, $16.52, ... 23.52

Virginia—$9.50
First Dist., Cong.: C. E. Boone (Smiths Chapel), ... 5.00
No. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Unity, ... 2.25
Sec. Dist., C. W. S.: Intermediate (Bridgewater), ... 2.25

Washington—$36.27
Cong.: Samuel Bock (No. Spokane) $15; C. W. S.: Okanogan Valley, $9.27; School of Missions: Wenatchee Valley, $12, ... 36.27

Total for the month, ...$ 198.05
Total previously reported, ... 621.59

Total for the year, ...$ 819.64

AFRICA SHARE PLAN

California—$50.00
So. Dist., S. S.: "Loyal Bible Class" (Pasadena), ... 50.00

Total for the month, ...$ 50.00
Total previously reported, ... 141.70

Total for the year, ...$ 191.70

MINISTERIAL AND MISSIONARY RELIEF

Florida—$6.00
Cong.: I. H. Crist & Wife (Clay County), 6.00

Total for the month, ...$ 6.00
Total previously reported, ... 22.50

Total for the year, ...$ 28.50

NEAR EAST RELIEF

Indiana—$29.98
No. Dist., Cong.: Plymouth, ... 29.98

Kansas—$.50
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Ottawa, ... .50

Oregon—$10.00
S. S.: Mabel, ... 10.00

Pennsylvania—$195.72
E. Dist., Cong.: Lititz, $72.27; S. S.: Spring Creek, $8.45; Lansdale (Hatfield) $30; Character Builders' Class (Midway) $5; Willing Workers Class (Midway) $10; Loyal Workers Class (Midway) $10; Elizabeth Martin's Class (Midway) $15; Hannah Binner's Class (Midway) $15; Young Men's Bible Class, Lebanon (Midway) $25, ... 190.72
W. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Elizabeth Mills (Walnut Grove-Johnstown), ... 5.00

Total for the month, ...$ 236.20
Total previously reported, ... 156.02

Total for the year, ...$ 392.22

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY FLOOD RELIEF

California—$2.00
No. Dist., Cong.: D. D. Fouts & Wife (Laton), ... 2.00

Florida—$1.00
Indv.: Eld. J. E. Young, ... 1.00

Illinois—$25.00
So. Dist., Cong.: John J. Swartz (Blue Ridge) $20; E. M. Hersch & Wife (Blue Ridge) $5, ... 25.00

Indiana—$147.55
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Fred Hummel (Sugar Creek), ... 1.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Camp Creek, $9.50; Union Center, $102; S. S.: "Berean Bible Class" (Plymouth) $8, ... 119.50
So. Dist., Cong.: Buck Creek, $18.35; Cong. & S. S.: Mt. Pleasant, $8.70, ... 27.05

Iowa—$10.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Albert Seidel and sons, Leonard and George (Spring Creek), ... 10.00

Kansas—$40.00
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Sabetha, ... 40.00

Maryland—$35.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Longmeadow, $25; S. S.: "Willing Workers" Class (Longmeadow), $10, ... 35.00

Minnesota—$10.00
S. S.: Union (Nemadji), ... 10.00

Missouri—$14.76
No. Dist., S. S.: Shelby Co., ... 14.76

Ohio—$121.76
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Ashland Dickey, $6; Zion Hill, $29.26; S. S.: Baltic, $80, ... 115.26
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Dupont, ... 6.50

Tennessee—$5.00
Indv.: Mrs. D. T. Keebler, ... 5.00

Virginia—$15.00
Sec. Dist., S. S.: Barren Ridge, ... 15.00

Washington—$19.58
Cong.: Olympia, ... 19.58

Total for the month, ...$ 446.65
Total previously reported, ... 71.03

Total for the year, ...$ 517.68

GENERAL RELIEF

Pennsylvania—$50.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Philip Wyles (Snake Spring), ... 50.00

Total for the month, ...$ 50.00
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ...$ 50.00

CONFERENCE BUDGET

Arkansas—$1.00
N. W. Dist., Indv.: Mrs. Mary J. Babb & Daughter, ... 1.00

California—$385.08
No. Dist., Cong.: Figarden, $20.61; Chowchilla, $17.25; Empire, $132.70; Waterford, $22.09; Live Oak, $26.08; Butte Valley, $21; Raisin City, $18.20; Reedley, $42.68; Mrs. N. A. Harman (Lindsay) $5, ... 305.61
So. Dist., Cong.: Santa Ana, $61.47; S. S.: Hermosa Beach, $18, ... 79.47

Colorado—$16.50
E. Dist., Cong.: Antioch, ... 16.50

Idaho—$53.43
Cong.: Emmett, $29; Weiser, $24.43, ... 53.43

Illinois—$294.35
No. Dist., Cong.: Douglas Park (Chicago) $13.90; Sterling, $55.65; Lila C. Brubaker (First Chicago) $5; Winnie E. Cripe (First Chicago) $5; Mrs. F. M. Gaffin (Mt. Morris) $1; Mrs. Allie Ekleberry (Ash Ridge) $5; S. S.: Polo, $148.55, ... 234.10
So. Dist., Cong.: Big Creek, $24.25; J. G. Wolfe (Okaw) $10; John J. Swartz (Blue Ridge) $25; Indv.: Mrs. R. A. Forney, $1, .. 60.25

Indiana—$687.64
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Wabash, $21.80; Bethel Center (Hartford City) $21.66; Pleasant View, $100; Plunge Creek Chapel, $17.80; Mrs. Fred Hummel (Sugar Creek) $1, ... 162.26
No. Dist., Cong.: Pine Creek, $87.97; New Paris, $50; Wawaka, $15; Auburn, $40; Rock Run, $106; Blue River, $46; No. Liberty, $91.48; J. H. Christian & Wife (Walnut) $5, 441.45
So. Dist., Cong.: White, $10; Middletown, $4.15; E. Lagoda (Mt. Pleasant) $21; Richmond Mission, $6.60; New Bethel, $7.18; Ettie E. Holler (Nettle Creek) $25; Marthetta Kitch (Maple Grove) $10, ... 83.93

Iowa—$149.34
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Dry Creek, $17.61; Iowa River, $23.38; Bagley, $40.91; S. S.: Yale (Coon River) $25, ... 106.90
No. Dist., Cong.: Curlew, ... 42.44

Kansas—$285.75
N. E. Dist., Cong.: McLouth, $15; Overbrook, $50; Olathe, $53.32; Washington, $23.08; Calvary Kansas City, $21.35; Effie Steffey (Ozawkie) $3, ... 165.75
N. W. Dist., Cong.: No. Solomon, $16.79; Belleville, $18.18, ... 34.97
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Parsons, $35.25; Fannie Stevens (Osage) $4; A Sister (Hollow) $1; Indv.: S. R. Perry, $1, ... 41.25
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Newton, $15.50; Garden City, $14.28; Wichita, East, $4; Kate Yost (Walnut Valley) $5; Mrs. Lizzie A. Lehman (Newton) $5, ... 43.78

Maryland—$32.00
E. Dist., Cong.: Thurmont, $22; Indv.: Unknown donor, $10, ... 32.00

Michigan—$90.57
Cong.: Elmdale, $24.10; Harlan, $4.22; Long Lake, $25; Beaverton, $37.25, ... 90.57

Missouri—$59.10
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Adrian, ... 10.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Wakenda, ... 49.10

Montana—$7.00
Cong.: Kalispell, ... 7.00

Nebraska—$184.56
Cong.: Omaha, $13; Octavia, $71.25; Bethel, $89.86; Maud Dick (Afton) $5.45; Alfred Phillips (Red Cloud) $5, ... 184.56

North Carolina—$6.00
Cong.: Melvin Hill, ... 6.00

North Dakota—$14.85
Cong.: Egeland, ... 14.85

Oklahoma—$184.88
Cong.: Washita, $125.38; Monitor, $17; Bartlesville, $16; Big Creek, $25.25; Indv.: Bertha Ryan Shirk, $1.25, ... 184.88

Oregon—$144.00
Cong.: Portland, $44; Weston, $5; Ashland, $40; Bandon, $15; Mabel, $40, ... 144.00

Ohio—$484.19
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Mohican, $30.65; E. Nimishillen, $20; A Sister (Mohican) $10; Mrs. Frank Leatherman (Mt. Zion) $2; Samuel Orr (Black River) $5; S. S.: Olivet, $74.61; Indv.: J. D. Miller & Wife, $2, ... 144.26
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Sugar Ridge, $9; County Line, $10; Marion, $23.93; Black Swamp, $43.07; Sand Ridge, $5.50; Ross, $8.50, 100.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Painter Creek, $163.20; Poplar Grove, $52.69; Constance, $3; West Branch, $6.60; S. S.: Cincinnati, $12.45; Young People's Soc.: Cincinnati, $1.59; Junior's Society: Cincinnati, $.40, ... 239.93

Pennsylvania—$23.60
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Mary E. Detweiler (Huntingdon) $3; S. S.: Yellow Creek, $10.60, 13.60
W. Dist., Cong.: Rockton, ... 10.00

Tennessee—$6.00
Cong.: Limestone, ... 6.00

Virginia—$240.00
First Dist., Cong.: Hopewell, $6.25; Green Hill, $16.25; Sarah J. Fellers (Terrace View) $1; Indv.: John W. Jamison, $1, ... 24.50
No. Dist., Cong.: Mt. Zion, ... 20.00
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Valley Bethel, $15.50; Pleasant Valley, $130, ... 145.50
So. Dist., Cong.: Fraternity, ... 50.00

Washington—$34.94
Cong.: Omak, $17.53; Okanogan Valley, $12.41; Paul Mohler (Seattle) $5, ... 34.94

West Virginia—$33.60
First Dist., Cong.: Beaver Run, ... 33.60

Wisconsin—$37.00
Cong.: Chippewa Valley, $32; Indv.: No. 97780, $5, ... 37.00

Total for the month, ... $ 3,455.38
Total previously reported, ... 652.47
4,107.85
Correction No. 11, ... 131.67
Total for the year, ... $ 3,976.18

CONFERENCE BUDGET DESIGNATED

New Mexico—$3.58
S. S.: Clovis, ... 3.58

Total for the month, ... $ 3.58
Total previously reported, ... 0.00
Total for the year, ... $ 3.58

MARCH WORLD SERVICE—1927-28

California—$100.00
So. Dist., Cong.: S. W. Funk (Covina), .. 100.00

Maryland—$100.00
E. Dist., Cong.: W. B. Yount (Meadow Branch), ... 100.00

Total for the month, ... $ 200.00
Total previously reported, ... 1,035.00
Total for the year, ... $ 1,235.00

MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

California—$368.28
No. Dist., Lindsay Cong. for Dr. Ida Metzger, ... 35.00
So. Dist., Sunday Schools for Clarence C. Heckman, $200; La Verne Cong. for E. D. Vaniman & Wife and L. A. Blickenstaff & Wife, $95.78; Missionary Class (Covina) for Delbert Vaniman, $37.50, ... 333.28

Idaho—$108.52
Congregations for Anetta C. Mow, $54.29; for Dr. D. L. Horning, $54.23, ... 108.52

Illinois—$7.91
No. Dist., Franklin Grove S. S. for Bertha Butterbaugh, ... 7.91

Indiana—$592.99
Mid. Dist., Student Volunteers of Manchester College for Clara Harper Budget, $42.99; Manchester College S. S. (Manchester) for Laura J. Shock, $225; Pipe Creek Cong. for Anna M. Forney, $200, ... 467.99
So. Dist., Sunday Schools for W. J. Heisey, 125.00

Iowa—$775.00
No. Dist., Rebecca Heagley (Sheldon) for Mary Kathrine Coffman, $75; Primary Dept. (So. Waterloo) for Marjorie Miller, $50; Intermediate & Jr. Depts. (So. Waterloo) for Lorita Shull, $50; "Loyal Helpers" Class (So. Waterloo) for Josephine Miller, $50; So. Waterloo S. S. for Jennie B. Miller, $275; C. W. S. & Aid Soc., So. Waterloo for A. S. B. Miller, $275, ... 775.00

Kansas—$5.30
S. E. Dist., Parsons S. S. for Emma H.

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AMERICA

Church of the Brethren Industrial School, Geer, Va.

Bollinger, Amsey and Florence, 1922
Early, H. C., and Emma, 1925
Finckh, Elsie, 1925
Hersch, Orville and Mabel, 1925
Kline, Alvin, 1926
Wampler, Nelie, 1922

In Pastoral Service

Bowman, Price and Elsie, Bassett, Va., 1925
Fahnestock, Rev. and Mrs. S. G., 1059 Michigan Ave., Portland, Ore., 1927
Garber, Glenn, Essex, Mo., 1925
Haney, R. A. and Irva, Merrill, Md., 1925
Horner, W. J. and Hazel, 3122 Ellis Ave., Fort Worth, Texas
Scrogum, Arthur and Marie, Accident, Md., 1926
Showalter, R. K. and Florence, Rose Pine, La., 1926
White, Ralph and Matie, 1206 E. Holston Ave., Johnson City, Tenn., 1923

SWEDEN

Spanhusvagen 38, Malmö, Sweden

Graybill, J. F., and Alice, 1911
Buckingham, Ida, 1913

CHINA

30 Mimosa Court, Tientsin, China

Coffman, Dr. Carl, 1921, and Lulu, 1919
Crumpacker, F. H., 1908
Flory, Edna R., 1917
Metzger, Minerva, 1910
Seese, Norman A., and Anna, 1917
Schaeffer, Mary, 1917
Oberholtzer, I. E., and Eliz., 1916
Pollock, Myrtle, 1917
Senger, Nettie M., 1916
Shock, Laura J., 1916
Flory, Byron M., and Nora, 1917
Heisey, Walter J., and Sue, 1917
Neher, Minneva J., 1924
Ulery, Ruth F., 1926

On Furlough

Baker, Elizabeth, 506 Wayne Ave., Greenville, O., 1922
Bright, J. Homer and Minnie, Phillipsburg, O., 1911
Ikenberry, E. L., and Olivia, Quinter, Kans., 1922
Brubaker, L. S., and Marie, La Verne, Cal., 1924.
Clapper, V. Grace, Johnstown, Pa., R. 5, 1917
Cline, Mary E., 900 Franklin, Roaring Spring, Pa., 1920
Flory, Raymond and Lizzie, Shickley, Neb., 1914
Crumpacker, Anna, 3435 Van Buren St, Chicago, 1908
Horning, Dr. D. L., and Martha, 1136 Mich. Ave., Topeka, Kans., 1919
Horning, Emma, 730 Molino Ave., Long Beach, Cal., 1908
Hutchison, Anna, Easton, Md., 1911
Myers, Minor M., and Sara, Bridgewater, Va., 1919
Smith, W. Harlan and Frances, Eldora, Ia., 1920
Sollenberger, O. C., and Hazel, c|o J. W. Coppock, Tippecanoe City, Ohio, 1919
Vaniman, Ernest D., and Susie, La Verne, Calif., 1913
Wampler, Dr. Fred J., and Rebecca, Accomac, Va., 1913

AFRICA

Garkidda, Nigeria, West Africa, via Jos and Numan

Beahm, Wm. M., and Esther, 1924
Flohr, Earl W., and Ella, 1926
Gibbel, Dr. J. Paul, and Verda, 1926
Harper, Clara, 1926
Heckman, Clarence C., and Lucile, 1924
Helser, Albert D., 1922, and Lola, 1923
*Kulp, H. Stover, 1922, and Christina, 1927
‡Mallott, Floyd, 1924
Shisler, Sara, 1926

*At Dille. ‡At Gardemna.

On Furlough

Burke, Dr. Homer L., and Marguerite, 218 So. Honore St., Chicago, Ill., 1923
Mallott, Ruth B., 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, 1924

INDIA

Ahwa, Dangs, India

Garner, H. P., and Kathryn, 1916

Anklesvar, Broach Dist., India

Grisso, Lillian, 1917
Long, I. S., and Effie, 1903
Moomaw, I. W., and Mabel, 1923
Shickel, Elsie, 1921
Woods, Beulah, 1924

Bulsar, Surat Dist., India

Blickenstaff, Lynn A., and Mary, 1920
Cottrell, Dr. A. R., and Laura, 1913
Mohler, Jennie, 1916
Roop, Ethel, 1926
Shumaker, Ida C., 1910

Dahanu Road, Thana Dist., India

Ebbert, Ella, 1917
Metzger, Dr. Ida, 1925
Nickey, Dr. Barbara M., 1915
Royer, B. Mary, 1913
Wolf, L. Mae, 1922

Jalalpor, Surat Dist., India

Miller, Eliza B., 1900
Mow, Baxter M., and Anna, 1923

Vada, Thana Dist., India

Kaylor, John I., 1911 and Ina, 1921
Swartz, Goldie E., 1916

Palghar, Thana Dist., India

Alley, Howard L., and Hattie, 1917

Post Umalla, via Anklesvar, India

Lichty, D. J., 1902, and Anna, 1912
Widdowson, Olive, 1912
Ziegler, Kathryn, 1908

Vyara, via Surat Dist., India

Blough, J. M., and Anna, 1903
Brooks, Harlan J., and Ruth, 1924
Mow, Anetta, 1917

On Furlough

Blickenstaff, Verna M., Cerro Gordo, Ill., 1919
Brumbaugh, Anna B., Hartville, O., 1919
Butterbaugh, A. G., and Bertha, Franklin Grove, Ill., 1919
Ebey, Adam, and Alice, North Manchester, Ind., 1900
Forney, D. L., and Anna, La Verne, Calif., 1897
Hollenberg, Fred M., and Nora, Sebring, Fla., 1919
Kintner, Elizabeth, Ney, Ohio, 1919
Miller, Arthur S. B., and Jennie, Waterloo, Ia., 1919
Miller, Sadie J., R. F. D., Waterloo, Ia., 1903
Shull, Chalmer and Mary, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
Summer, B. F. and Nettie, Mooreland, Ind., 1919
Wagoner, J. E., and Ellen, North Manchester, Ind., 1919

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What We May Expect in China

Prophecies regarding the future of China are many and various. Ever since the founding of the republic in 1911, China has been very unsettled. War lords operating for selfish reasons have been keeping the country in a nightmare. Recently there has been coming to the front a group of Chinese citizens who desire the welfare of their country. These have given expression through the Nationalist movement. This group was without money or power. Russia is the only country that showed sympathy toward this new movement. She granted help but in doing so promoted her ideals of government and irreligion in China. The Nationalist movement became split into the right and left wings. The former was opposed to Bolshevism and the latter for it. It appears that the right wing has won to a large measure. Russian influence in China is on the wane.

Last April the Nationalists who were in the south were driving against the northerners who were largely under the direction of Chang Tso Lin. Riots became frequent and one American, Dr. Williams, was killed at Hankow. The situation was tense. A general period of lawlessness threatened the whole of China. The American consul acting for the safety of Americans throughout China advised their withdrawal from interior points to Tientsin or some other protected city.

Our missionaries heeded the advice of the consul, not so much through fear of personal danger but to avoid any occasion for international complications. It was realized that missionaries electing to remain at their work would become the cause of international misunderstandings if they should be killed. Furthermore, their presence would tend to further incense uncontrollable mobs contending for the banishment of all foreigners.

The situation in China drags along with little definite developments indicating an early clearing up of the complicated tangle. Meanwhile the missionaries of the various Boards of China continue to reside at protected points. They are engaged in study and in directing their work by correspondence. A few of our missionaries returned to our stations at least once to give encouragement and direction to the work which is continued in a wholesome manner by the Chinese Christians.

Some folks feel greatly encouraged, evidently feeling that the Nationalists will win and that order and discipline will replace the chaotic condition. Others are pessimistic and feel that there is little hope for any improvement. They feel that nothing good can happen until western nations replace the present unfair treaties by others giving China equal rights. They also feel, that missionary work of the future must be

engaged in on a vastly different basis from the past.

Who is wise enough to predict the future with any accuracy? It is our judgment that there are to be no radical changes. If the Nationalists win, there should be improvement, but the vast mass of 400 million Chinese is too great to expect any radical change in a short period of time. There will be problems enough. Unrighteous elements will assert themselves in the new government. Missionary work should be carried on differently from the past, but the changes will not be radical. The particular change called for is more authority for the Chinese in church matters. Most missions, including the Church of the Brethren, are willing and anxious to grant this Chinese autonomy just as rapidly as the church develops and is able to assume it. This present evacuation has given us time to think, and when our missionaries return to their work, as I believe they will, they will gradually build up the work on the basis of Chinese autonomy. This can proceed no faster than the interest, maturity, and financial strength of the Chinese Christian community will permit.

The Christian High School in China

N. A. SEESE

THE opportunities of the Christian high school in China are unlimited. Even though they have many difficulties to face, it does not lessen their need and opportunities but only emphasizes them. There are no less than forty million boys and girls of high school age in China today. This in itself constitutes a challenge so great that one can scarcely comprehend it. This is the age of each generation when the most important life decisions are made. Lincoln turned his eyes toward a great career when he was a boy. Washington became great when he was a boy, and afterwards he lived out that greatness. Evidence of the importance educators in the United States attach to the high school age is furnished by the tremendous emphasis given to secondary education in the States. They realize that our democracy cannot survive unless the young people are properly directed. Germany militarized her population during the adolescent period. Churches get their membership during this age and, sad to say, criminal gangs do too. Some of the strongest leaders in the church in the West are giving their full time and most serious thought to the question of directing the young people. The Nationalist movement in China could never have gone beyond the borders of the province in which it started without the support of the high school population. The future of the Christian church in China will be uncertain indeed unless a firm grip can be gotton on the youths of this land.

The boys and girls of high school age in China are rapidly gaining a new freedom. The old family restraints are gradually giving way. The boys no longer submit without reservations to the commands of the father. Girls are coming from behind high walls that once concealed them from public sight and kept them from harmful influences. What will they do with the freedom they are now gaining? Who will direct them until they have learned new modes of conduct and restraints? Their parents cannot do it because they are as much at sea as the young people are. They were raised under the old order. Their schools are not equal to the task because the younger teachers are infatuated with the new freedom almost as much as the students are and the older teachers are not equal to the new task. If they go undirected the moral degeneracy which will result is not pleasant to contemplate. They need men and women who know how they should use this new freedom to direct them, those who are sympathetic with them in their problems, who know proper standards of conduct when boys and girls associate together, who appreciate the value of pure womanhood and noble manhood. Many of the young people realize they are confronted with a serious situation, that they need direction, that they need help and are anxious for them. This constitutes an unparalleled opportunity for those who love to work with young people.

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The Story of Our Evacuation

ANNA B. SEESE

UNLESS you had really experienced it you cannot imagine our feelings when we saw the newspaper report of the Nanking affair in which several foreigners were killed. This happened on March 24, and what made it seem so serious to us was the fact that one of those killed was an American missionary, Dr. Williams, of Nanking University. We had always felt that Americans were held in especial favor by the Chinese, but now it seemed that conditions had come to a crisis for missionaries in China. Of course, we were excited, some more, some less. We hardly knew what to think, but some of us at least felt that the time would soon come when we would have to evacuate and so it proved.

On Friday, April 1, we received a telegram from Mr. McCann, of the American Board Mission, who lives in Tientsin. He said they were calling their women and children out to the coast where adequate protection could be given if necessary. He said they were doing this upon consular advice. This message came just as we were sitting down to dinner, and of course our appetites were not very keen after we knew the meaning of the message. We did not make up our minds what to do until that evening when we received a letter from the consul himself asking all women and children and as many men as possible to come out to places of safety. We felt of course that things must be more serious than we realized. It was hard to believe there was any danger when all around us was peace and contentment as far as we were able to see. Our Chinese friends were loath to see us go but some of them expressed themselves that they felt it best for us to go for awhile, at least until things were more settled. In the light of these facts we hastened our preparations.

We sent word to Shou Yang and Tai Yuan at once. A meeting of the Ping Ting station was called, and we decided that Mr. Brubaker should take the car to Liao Chou and let the people know and bring some of them back for a mission meeting to discuss plans for evacuation. Through the kindness of the telephone office Leland was allowed to talk to Sister Horning at Liao and give them the word. He left early Saturday morning and returned Sunday evening with several of the missionaries and some of the Chinese leaders.

That evening the missionaries met and decided on a complete evacuation. We did this for these reasons: First, the Nationalist movement was gradually becoming more violently anti-foreign because of the bolshevik element in it. Second, we felt that it was most sure to come north and soon control all China, Shansi Province included. The communists and conservatives had already had a fight in Tai Yuan Fu in which several were killed. Third, we knew that most likely before Shansi would be greatly disturbed Peking and Tientsin would be in upheaval, in which case we would have no place of escape should their wrath come down upon us. Fourth, we felt for the good of the cause we should at all cost avoid an opportunity for armed intervention because of our staying in the interior when we had been advised to come out. If the people at Nanking had evacuated, that unpleasant affair might have been avoided. Besides most missionaries are feeling that a fundamental change must be made in mission policy and that change can best be made by all withdrawing for a time and then returning under different circumstances.

On Monday a meeting was held with the Chinese leaders. We discussed with them plans for carrying on the work in our absence. Each one seemed to feel the responsibility and entered heartily into the program. We have appreciated our Chinese brethren more than a little in this crisis. They have been sympathetic and kind though loath to see us leave. We were made aware of this one thing at least, our people are not ready to dispose of the missionary. At this meeting leaders were chosen for the different stations and our own Bro. Yin has shown a remarkable spirit in trying to keep things going.

Then came the few days of packing up. This was done at odd moments and mostly after the meetings at night were over. We could take only a limited amount of luggage.

What we should take and what we should leave—that was the question. We decided to take our best clothing, bedding, and linens. It took some time to go through it all and sort out the best, and a good many of us found out when we were through sorting that there was not much best to it. Our children were not in shape for such an adventure, for it seemed that it might prove to be that since we did not know where we would land.

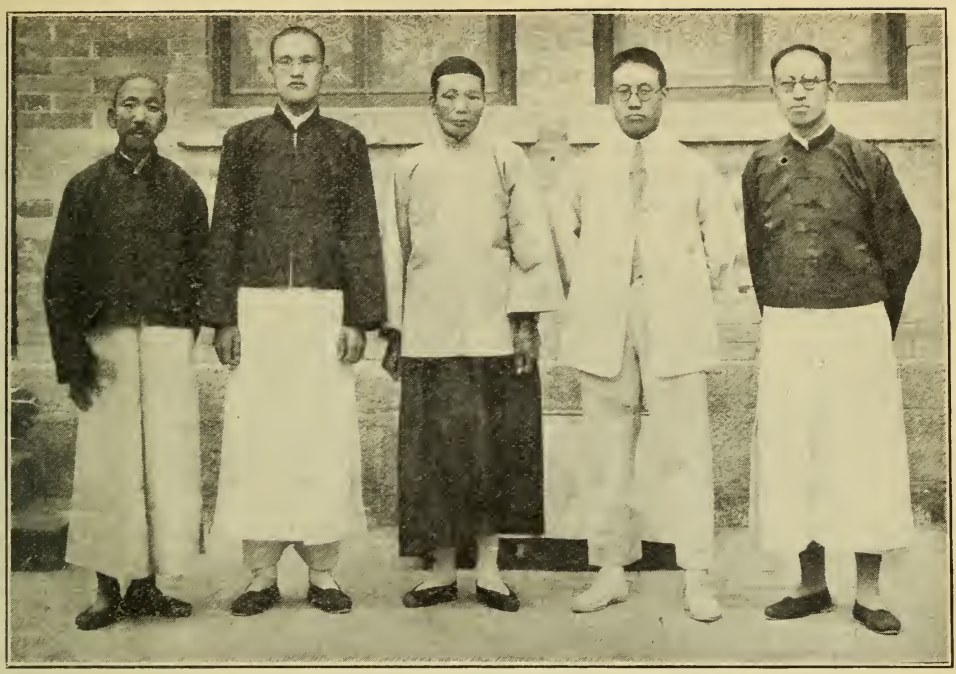
I am going to tell you a few things that we took in addition to our best clothing, bedding and linens. We all took what silverware we possessed, a few pictures, remnants of college days, a few treasured books and records. Most of all we hated to leave our books behind, but it had to be done, the greater part of them. It has been a difficult thing for your missionaries to build up a library. If our books are lost we never in our lives will be able to replace them. You might be interested to know that our homes and all we possess are locked up with a trusty Chinese to watch them at night, and it remains to be seen what will happen to them. After our trunks were all full each of us found out that there were a few things we did not want to leave behind. My Boston bag proved a good receptacle to receive some of these things—my scissors and thimble (a gift of father when I was seventeen), thread, elastic, buttons, needles, and a goodly portion of the family medicine case, besides numerous small dolls and teddy bears that were far too precious to leave behind.

In Norman's case it was his saw, hammer, and a very good butcher's knife, bought of W. H. Sipe & Co., at Bridgewater, Va. At the last moment he discovered his hand axe which was too heavy to take. It was hastily given to a Chinese friend who assured him that he would keep it for him until he returned. In Marie's case the aluminum tea kettle was the tender spot, so she carried that along and it proved a valuable asset to receive our drinking water. Betty and Edna could not get the consent of their minds to leave the cured meat and canned sausage behind, so they must find a place in the already overflowing suitcase. Some of the men carried their Sunday hats as they were easier to carry than the sun topee which they would surely need. To say the least it was a much burdened crowd of travelers.

The Ping Ting group left Wednesday, April 6. That morning we received a telegram from the consul asking all of the men to join the women and children and come without delay. We were glad we were ready. We tried to go off as quietly as possible so as not to create any excitement among the Chinese. They were sorry to see us go, and even the rickshaw coolies thought their business would be decreased considerably by our leaving. All along the way many kindnesses were shown us by the Chinese and railway officials. The station master that morning took some of us to his home and made us comfortable until train time. I think all in all it was one of the best trips I have ever made to Peking. As I look back over the trip I cannot recall a single unpleasant experience outside of the consciousness that we were refugees. That was not such a comfortable feeling. I might say that the party was made up of Brubakers, Hollenbergs, Seeses, Ikenberrys, and Misses Metzger, Baker, Flory, and Schaeffer. It certainly seemed that everything worked out for our good. As long as we were on the train one would not notice that we were refugees but once we began to move the tale was told.

At the junction where we spent the night, we met Dr. Watson of the American Board Mission west of us. He was going back to his station after having taken his family out to try to get some more of their things out, but we have learned that he did not succeed in getting out. We were glad to see him, and he advised us to go on to Korea. He also gave us the word that the Russian legation at Peking was raided by Chinese soldiers and police that day. Chang Tso Lin had the written consent of the foreign ministers in Peking to do this. This legation proved to be the headquarters of the Communists who were planning to overthrow the Peking Government in a few days. Had this been allowed to happen Peking would likely be in a state of confusion now. Here Sister R. C. Flory of Liao Chou overtook us. She had come to Ping Ting that morning and just made the second train. We were glad to see her. Gladys and Rol-

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Leaders at Shou Yang

Five of the Christian leaders in whose hands the work of the church at Shou Yang Hsien was left when the foreigners had to leave for Tientsin. You should know them and pray definitely for them. Left to right they are:

Bro. Wu Hsin Shun—Business manager and general handy repair man. He was made assistant treasurer when the foreigners came to the coast.

Bro. Nieh Chih Ch'eng—Faithful Christian and principal of the boys' school at Shou Yang.

Sister Kung I Te—Conscientious Bible woman who is almost solely for work among women during Sister Neher's absence.

Dr. Hsing Yu T'ing—A good Christian doctor and brother who is never too busy to help anyone. He was made treasurer of the Shou Yang work when the foreigners left for the coast.

Bro. Ho Wei—A coming leader. He was made superintendent of the general evangelistic work when the consul called the foreigners away to the coast.

The Chinese Church Carries On

CHAO FU LING

GREETING: Since the foreigners left Shou Yang the work in all departments of the church is progressing very much as before. We hope the interest and blessing of the foreigner will constantly be with us.

The annual fair and theatrical was at Pei Ho over the 27th of the 4th moon. Mr. Chao went out to assist Mr. Li. On the 25th and 26th they first visited the Christians. They saw some of them in their homes and some came to the church at Pei Ho. The big days at the fair were on the 27th and 28th. There was an unusually large crowd in attendance this year.

We invited the people to come to the church to visit and drink tea. Those who came seemed very eager to visit and discuss the Christian religion. Their attitude toward the church seemed quite normal. Many of the people seemed quite anxious about the estate of the foreigners. Some were quite anxious for you all to come back. We took advantage of this opportunity to tell the people why the foreigners were asked to leave Shou Yang. We also told them that even though the foreigners were all gone, the work of the church would not stop. The preaching of the Gospel would continue forever. When they heard our report they were glad and ceased doubting.

Sunday came on the 29th and the fair was still in progress. A large number of Chris-

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What Chinese Christians Say

LULU U. COFFMAN

AT a mass meeting of Chinese Christians in Shanghai, Feb. 6, 1927, the following statement was authorized for presentation to missionaries in China:

I. The Situation.

China is at present going through a gigantic upheaval, the main characteristics of which can be summarized as follows:

1. A struggle for a stronger and freer national life.
2. A struggle for a fuller and richer content in the life of the masses.
3. A struggle for a more worthy place in the family of nations.
4. A struggle towards a new cultural expression which will unite the best in our intellectual and spiritual life with the best in the modern scientific civilization.

This fourfold struggle has penetrated every phase of Chinese life today and in its onward sweep profoundly affects every form of organized effort in the country. We, Chinese Christians in Shanghai, feel acutely the challenge of this present hour. Already among us two definite trends have been greatly accentuated:

1. More than ever before, there stirs in the heart of the Chinese Christian Church the desire to find its own soul and to live its own life.
2. More than ever before, the Chinese Christian Church is experiencing a compelling sense of obligation to assume responsibility for carrying on the Christian movement in China even though its leaders are fully conscious of their unpreparedness for the task.

II. Our Attitude.

Christian workers in China have reacted to the present situation in various ways. Some regard this upheaval as a temporary manifestation of unrest which will soon pass away. These believe it will then be possible again to resume their life and work very largely under the conditions which prevailed before. Others have been so discouraged by the continuance of one trouble after another that they have become extremely pessimistic and can see no hope for the future. But there is another group whose hearts, while frankly filled with anxiety and perplexity, nevertheless are moved also with hope and with a spirit of adventure because they have seen the guiding hand of God in the present situation. The future of the Christian movement in China will depend very largely upon whether this small group of Christians will be able to maintain a faith, courage, and wisdom equal to the superhuman demands of the hour.

In this crucial experience through which we are passing, we need the continued cooperation of the older Christian communions of the West and of our missionary coworkers in China. None better than ourselves realize our unpreparedness to carry on a Christian movement which thus far has been fostered largely by the churches of the West.

In this coöperation, may we share with you our convictions as to the spirit in which we are called upon to undertake our common service:

1. As followers of Christ all of us should persistently endeavor always to let our love triumph over any sense of being misunderstood or unjustly treated, over considerations of national prestige or personal safety, over differences of opinion and over pride and prejudice.
2. Whatever happens to our institutions and programs of work, we stand still in need of your best contribution, which is the sharing with us of your deepest personal experience of God through Christ.
3. We invite you to identify yourselves fully (1) with the Chinese people, in accepting the risk involved in the voluntary surrendering of your extraterritorial status, and (2) with the Chinese church, by merging your present mission organizations with it, thus bringing directly to the church the gift of all your knowledge and experience.
4. As followers of Christ, the Prince of Peace and Goodwill, shall not missionaries and Chinese Christians unite in undertaking the ministry of sympathy, understanding, and reconciliation in the midst of strained relationships of all kinds?

Above all, let us unite before God in an humble and penitent spirit and examine ourselves as to:

1. How truly Christian our own individual lives are and
2. How well prepared we are to make a worthy Christian contribution to the great human needs around us today.

III. Some Practical Suggestions.

1. The Christian Church, if it is to make its contribution to the unfolding life of the

Chinese people at the present time, must have in its own fellowship that triumphant spiritual life which is rooted in a vivid consciousness of God through Christ. Shall we not see in this period of forced interruptions to our normal work, an opportunity and call to find for ourselves, individually and in groups, a deeper experience of God?

2. In the midst of these profound political, social, and economic changes now going on in the country, we feel greatly perplexed as to what constitutes for us the Christian way of life today. Can we not in the coming year come together all over the country in little groups which will in a spirit of prayer and fearless inquiry seek an answer to this all important question?

3. Extraordinary occasions in life call for prompt and adventurous adjustments. The whole Christian movement in China is today facing such an occasion. We, therefore, urge:

a. That immediate representations be made by missionaries, either through deputations going back to their home countries or through other means, calling for an immediate readjustment in treaties with China on the basis of economic equality and mutual respect for each other's political and territorial sovereignty.

b. That the mission boards send immediately representatives to China to work out with Christian leaders in this country definite measures for the placing of all branches of Christian work under the administrative charge of Chinese Christian bodies.

c. That responsible missionary and church leaders in China, in the meanwhile, get together to work out ways and means toward this transfer of responsibility.

4. Should not a meeting of responsible Christian workers in China be called immediately to study the present situation and fearlessly examine into their work with a nation-wide perspective and across denominational lines, in order to determine which enterprises within the Christian movement should at all costs be maintained, with a view to the concentration of our resources in men and money on those enterprises which are making the most vital contributions to the life of the Chinese people?

In concluding this word to our missionary coworkers, we wish again to express to them our deep appreciation of the noble work which they have been carrying on in China, to assure them of our continued trust and affection, and to record herewith our conviction that they have a permanent and fruitful place in the service of Christ among our people.

Manifesto of the Christians in Kaifeng

This is a quotation (translation) from the manifesto of the Christians in Kaifeng, Honan. It is a reply to the Anti-Christian movement. Note their conception of Christ and of what Christianity ought to be.

The Founder of Christianity, Jesus Christ, was the Son of a carpenter in a humble village of Palestine, a country conquered and controlled by the Romans. He, a common Man, struggled with the mighty and evil forces of his day, sacrificed his life at last for the sake of the world and thus sowed the seeds of "love," "equality," and "liberty," which are now bearing glorious fruits. His disciples should inherit his spirit of reverence to God and love for men to rescue the hearts of the people from the oppression of the Devil. They should devote heart and soul even to death to the Word of God and should be willing to sacrifice for it. This is what Christianity ought to be and what it originally was. But after some generations, its nature was metamorphosed by wrong methods of propagation. The king used it to establish his autocratic power. This gave rise to the later bitter religious war. This is the main cause that has roused the hostility of the anti-Christians. That Christianity has been accused of the very things to which it itself is critically opposed, namely, social inequalities and national differences and conservatism, is not the fault of the religion, but the fault of those who sinned against the religion. The fact that Christianity has been so active in almost every line of work in China is another stimulus to people's hatred toward it. There are other religions in China. Are they all good? Why has there not yet been heard any voice of opposition against them? On the other hand, we, Christians, congratulate ourselves upon being attacked by the anti-Christian movement so that we can be aware of the present situation and consequently unite ourselves to start afresh with our work, setting ahead of us a common aim. We want to tender this statement to the public notice of the nation in order to secure a better understanding, and to allay the anger of the anti-Christian movement.

The Manifesto of the Christians of Wuhan

The last is the manifesto of the Christians of Wuhan addressed to their fellow Christians. Now read it carefully, then read it again and you will see how communistic propaganda has penetrated and shaped the very ideals and purposes of Chinese Christians. And even many of the Christians of Shansi have also been affected by it.

Fellow Christians of the Whole Nation:

We are all a part of the nation of the Chinese Republic. Owing to the dissatisfaction concerning the old traditional ethics, we have become followers of Christianity. But, as it was transplanted from other nations, and unfortunately it has, in its history, become indentified with imperialists, much misunderstanding has developed. Now, as we stand under the flag of "Blue Sky and White Sun" (Nationalist flag) as a free

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Our Mountaineer Chinese Brethren

I. E. OBERHOLTZER

I WANT to tell you a little about a small group of Christians who are sheltered in the valleys and mountain ravines of our Ma-t'ien congregation, twenty miles from Ma-t'ien, fifty miles from Liao Chou, and isolated from the main roads of communication.

Early in March I made an effort to visit the membership, enquirers, and friends in the Ma-t'ien preaching circuit. One of the preaching points is San-shih-mu, and in that locality there are ten or twelve members. By means of a few pictures and a little detail, I want to introduce you to them.



The eighty-year-old grandmother of San-shih-mu who rode twenty miles last summer to be baptized. Her son, the first one to the left in the rear and his wife were received at the same time. The other son at the right has not come to a decision yet.

The family in the first picture is a remarkable one in a few particulars. I think of them for their faithfulness, endurance in the midst of a lonely pagan environment, and for their loyalty to the religion they have espoused. The old father died some years ago. He was a baptized Christian for many years in the "China Inland Mission Church." But living twenty miles from the nearest preaching point of that church, his wife and sons never learned much about the Gospel and never entered the church. Yet this crippled eighty-year-old grandmother and her sons have never quite forgotten the example and instruction of the father, even though they lived far from other Christian members. One year ago I had the pleasure to baptize this old mother, the son to the left in the rear and his wife, who was away at the time of my recent visit. Several things are unique about these. You will remember that this old lady, illiterate, crippled and feet bound, had interest and faith enough to ride twenty miles on donkey for baptism. And unlike most all other Chinese men who refuse to be baptized at the same time and place with the women, this son requested to be immersed with his mother and wife. Further, the son is a faithful church-goer. The itinerating evangelist holds one service of the month in this home. A second Sunday the son goes to the Ma-t'ien services twenty miles away. And a third Sunday he goes twenty miles in the opposite direction to attend a service of the "China Inland Mission." Can you match that anywhere in the homeland?

The following views take you out of the valley six or seven miles into the rugged mountains. In March there was still snow on the shady slopes of the mountain. The Chinese brethren were not anxious for me to go up into the mountain at this time, but since I do not fall as far as some tall folks

I insisted upon visiting these cliff dwelling brethren also. There are four Brethren and one Catholic homes in this gulch. One of these is just around the turn behind the animals, under the shelter of a great ledge of rocks. There are two brothers and each has a house for his large family. The children get their start in life by an occasional fall down over the twenty foot drop just in front of the cave.

Coal there is none and firewood is scarce. So they have selected the caves facing the sunny south where they are sheltered from the wind and cold of winter. Here they keep warm even in winter. Corn stalk roots, weeds and dried brush furnish the fuel for cooking their two meals each day. Upon the rocky ledges above the cave you will see the large baskets of grain. Pigs, donkeys, dogs, chickens and vermin also have their habitation near by. Upon the subjects of food, sanitation, and cleanliness we do not wish to linger. Enough to say that after one day's visit I was ready to move on. But these are real brethren and extend to a visitor the limit of their hospitality.

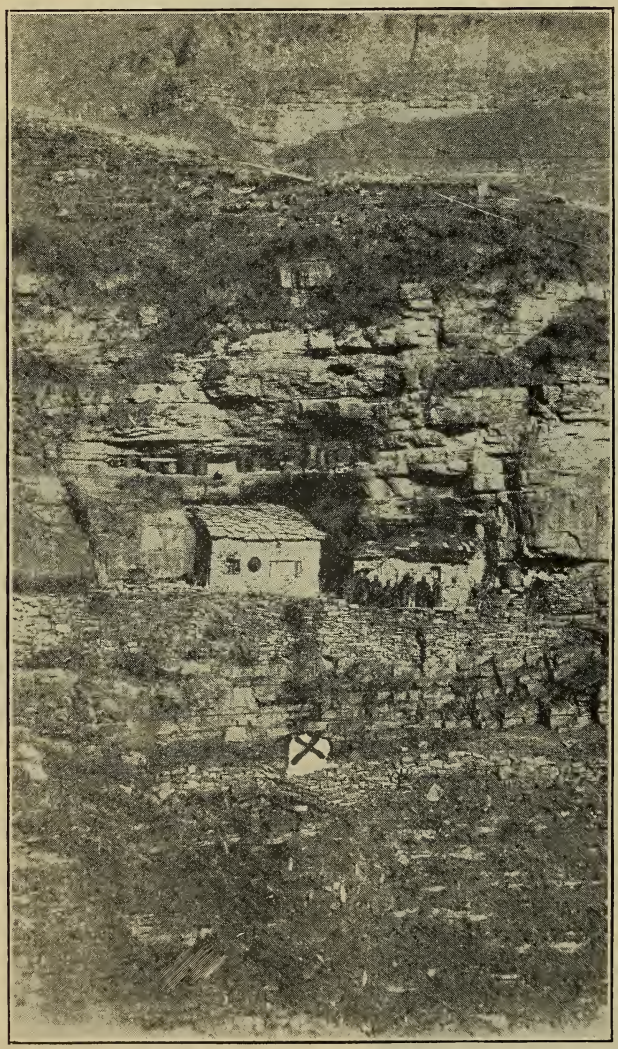


My donkeys, bedding, and Chinese evangelist being escorted off the mountain by several of the brethren. One of the homes is just around the ridge under the shelter of an overhanging rock.

You would call these brethren poor indeed, but everybody is poor in this section and so they know nothing better and are contented. As I saw the vast mountain slopes all around and tried to put myself in their place, I made some calculations. I suggested that they lump their money, buy a few sheep and goats and depend upon herding for a better living. I knew they could not buy many, but since a goat or sheep can be bought for three dollars, I supposed they could venture a start of ten animals. At the end of the first year they would have a herd of twenty, at the end of the second a herd of forty, and after five years a herd of three hundred animals which is a splendid herd to furnish a constant income. The hills are public land, grass and shrubbery are plentiful, so that there would be little expense. To me, this seemed a great opportunity for them. I was telling them nothing new, however, and to my argument they readily assented. "That is true," they said, "but we do not have the six dollars to start with, we could not even produce one." Well, of course, there you are. Their answer is the conclusion to the whole matter. Without a little working capital no one can get beyond the point of poverty. It would

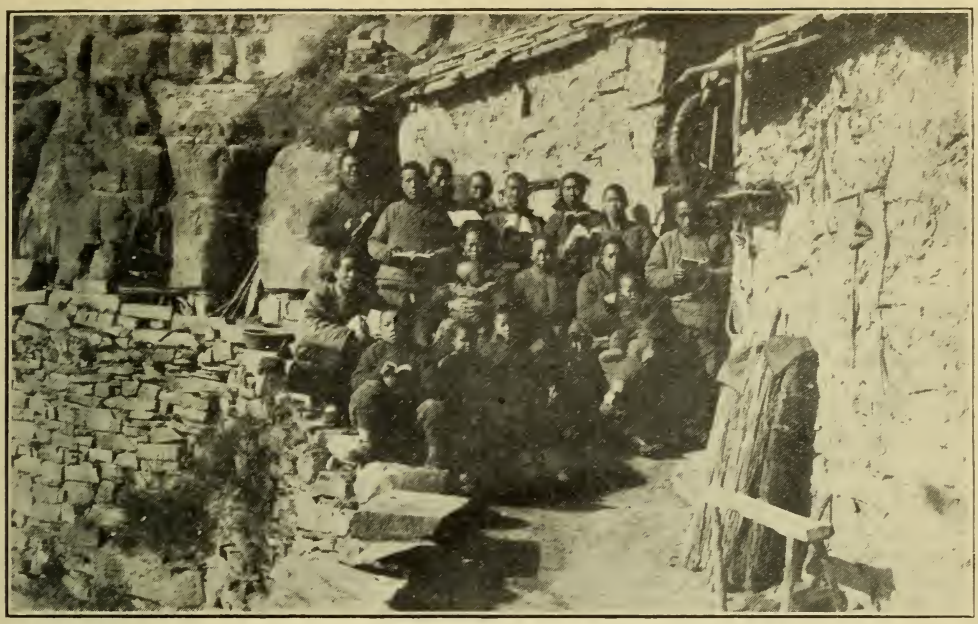
appear that a small gift or loan to such members would be a real Christian deed. Yet there are dangers to such a practice.

With all the apparent poverty of these brethren, I want to tell you of an idea and ambition of theirs that challenges comparison; viz., the erection of a house of worship on the mountain. These brethren meet in the homes several times a week for prayers and worship. But these cave houses have only one room and with the family in them, these homes are not always suitable for this purpose. Therefore, these brethren have hit upon the idea of erecting a special chapel for worship. The location is to be on the terrace immediately below the two houses seen in the picture. Slabs of stone for roofing, building stone, clay for mortar and light timber could all be gotten off the mountain at no expense except the time they put into it. For them, the project would be an easy one to put through, and they need to be commended for their zeal and faith, although their shortsightedness is apparent at once.



The homes of two brother Christians. Even with a climate similar to that of Chicago, these people seem to keep comfortable throughout the winter days. The sun beats against this rock all day long and heat is retained during the night to make the house altogether comfortable. On the terrace below, marked by x, is where they would like to erect a room for worship and prayer.

It is to be remembered that these brethren, another Catholic family and several other scattered homes, are the only ones to support such a project and draw upon for future growth, whereas in the valley two miles away there are a number of small villages. I could not be too outspoken in objecting to their plan, so I tried to have them see the advantage of locating their house of worship at the foot of the mountain, where many villages could be focused to the hearing of the gospel truth. These mountaineers could easily come off the mountain, whereas very few villagers could be induced to ascend the dangerous paths. Moreover, I could promise them no regular services or an itinerating evangelist to visit them each month, although such an arrangement might be practicable in the valley. What they will do with my suggestion is left for the future to reveal. I do hope they continue in their zeal and ambition, and make real their project where the Lord can most multiply their efforts. These people have a vision; a real idea has taken hold of them which is the stuff local self-supporting congregations are made out of. It is the spirit of self-help which we would like



We had a service with these one evening and another the next morning, after which this picture was taken. Nearly all of these are either members or inquirers. A book in the hand of each must not be taken too seriously. There are only a few of them who can read. They do love the Gospel story, however, and for this reason they carry the open book.

to make contagious throughout our whole brotherhood in China.

Here then is a rough picture of a part of our evangelistic work, its fruits and difficulties, its problems and hardships. The difficulty and expense of carrying the Gospel message to these isolated mountain people must at once become apparent. Yet where a group of members have grown up as they have here, the mission can do nothing else but shepherd them. Christianity is best when it is CAUGHT, and a real contagion can be traced in the growth of this nucleus of members. First there was the old father who somewhere came under the sway of the Gospel through a "China Inland Mission" evangelist. He infected the old mother and the sons through his exemplary life. These then interested their mountain friends and relatives. And now we have a little band of baptized Christians who are planning to build their own house of worship. The hope of an enlarged membership is now in sight. This locality is far from Liao Chou and not easily accessible; the villages are small, and the people are poor; ignorance is great while schools are few. A dollar does not go very far, and the question is constantly arising in one's mind how much emphasis the missionary should give to these sparsely inhabited regions. But if the Psalmist was right in thinking that the Lord made his abode in the mountains, then these people ought to be very near to him. They can see God in the thunder; they can see him in the storm; they can see him riding in the heavens; he has carved the mountains; the trees and rocks show forth the beauty of Jehovah. May it not be that these feel him nearer and have a more intimate experience of him than do we of the valley who find ourselves occupied with the cold material things of our generation?

THE CHINESE CHURCH CARRIES ON

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tians and non-Christians attended church. There were some 40 or 50 people who worshiped with us. Bro. Chao led our worship, and the people sat quietly and listened to the Word as he preached. All remained until church was dismissed, and many remained to talk with us after church was dismissed. We took special pains to make them feel welcome.

Although we had no opportunity during the fair to sell Gospels or to lecture to the people, yet we found no opposition to the

church. The people were as friendly to us as in former days. We felt the opportunities for the Gospel were excellent. In all we could feel that God was working with us. We thank him for his mercy and help. We hope the foreign brethren will always pray for us so that our work day by day may be successful. This is our greatest hope.

(Signed) Unworthy Evangelist,
Chao Fu Ling.

THE STORY OF OUR EVACUATION

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land were with her, but Bro. Flory waited for the rest of the party.

We arrived in Peking about eleven P. M., April 7. We went to the Language School to spend the night until we could know what to do and where to go. It was two A. M. until we all got to bed. Some of the men got up at five-thirty the next morning and went to Tientsin to see the consul as to our next move. He wanted us to go on to Korea to save congestion in the city, but the men told him we wanted to stay as close to the work as possible and that we wanted to stay in Tientsin if at all possible. He then directed them to some flats for rent. They returned to Peking that night and on Monday morning we went to Tientsin. We were now accompanied by the Shou Yang and Liao Chou parties, they having arrived in Peking on Friday and Sunday respectively. We were soon located in unfurnished flats. It was through the kindness of our Uncle Sam that we were able to procure army cots and pads, and so with these and a few pots and pans and a board table with stools and benches, we were able to eat and sleep. These after all are the real necessities of life and we tried to make the best of our circumstances; and I think most of us succeeded pretty well, even if we did sometimes have aching backs when we awoke in the morning.

So here we are doing the best we can. We are trusting that all will go well and that soon we will be able to return to our homes. The missionary's life after all is doing and trusting and there are times when the most we can do is trust. Just now we are passing through one of those times. Pray that we may come through it more than conquerors and that in the end new life may come to the Chinese Christian church because of this experience.

CHINA NOTES FOR JUNE

Lulu U. Coffman

The Mission Family moved from Tientsin to Peitaiho about the middle of June. It was getting very warm in Tientsin but is very pleasant here in Peitaiho by the seaside. So much better than a small city court for the children.

A letter to the missionaries located at the coast from Pastor Yin of the Ping Ting Church of the Brethren says: "About ten days ago we did not know what we should do. The Governor here in Shansi sent many soldiers to Niang Tzu Kuan (on the Shansi Chihli border) and used the flags of the revolutionaries (Blue Sky and Bright Day). At that time we did not know what would happen, but now we thank God for there is no trouble here.

"Some of our high school boys went to Taiyuan to enter the military school. The government school wants 3,000 students to prepare for military service. So many boys think it is a good opportunity.

"I think you will be glad to know there are about twenty persons at Kao Lao who are ready to enter the church. I will go to see them this summer. Perhaps some in other places will also be ready to be baptized, but we have not heard.

"I think the work of each department is going along nicely. It is very dry here. No rain for a long time."

On June 18 the hospital manager, Mr. Chang, says, "Routine of the hospital is going along nicely. We have 21 men and 7 women patients. There is a diphtheria case, but it is better."

The following is a letter to Miss Edna Flory from Mr. Chao, one of the nurses in the Ping Ting Hospital: "This is a report for June. We have had several major operations. They were Cæsarean section, herniotomy, forceps delivery, amputation of limb above knee, fistula, hemorrhoidectomy and some other cases, all of which are in good condition. Twice patients came to the hospital on Sunday for operation. We also have two burn cases, a gunshot of the hand, and a fracture of both legs.

"I heartily thank God and you, too, for helping me to become a graduate nurse. When I first entered nurses' training school my wish was to know how to help people to know God and his love, and to be able to do something pleasing for him, and now is the time for me to work for God and my country, and I heartily thank every one of my foreign friends who helped me to know and love him. The Lord be with you all."

From Liao Chow Dr. Wang sends us the following news:

"We had a very good graduation-meeting in our church day before yesterday and would have liked very much if you folks had been present. Mrs. Li Yü Hsi was the chairman. Perhaps she is the first lady of Liao to preside at such a meeting. We had three groups of graduates this time, namely, Boys' school, Girls' school and the Women's Bible school. I am asking a representative from each school to give a more detailed report."

Mr. Tsai Yü of the Boys' school says, "This is like meeting face to face, and I wish to tell you that conditions in the Liao church are very good. The local people show no appearance of enmity and continually have intercourse with us.

"This year the women's, girls' and boys' schools had union graduating exercises. There were two women, eight girls, and twelve boys who graduated. The exercises were held in the church at ten o'clock on June 12. More than 200 people attended the meeting. Most of them were officials and students. The speakers were the county magistrate, the chief of police, and the county superintendent of schools. The magistrate presented the diplomas. He talked a long time, and the gist of his speech was that the students should preserve the spirit of Christianity and not transgress the good rules of society but continue to trust in the Christian church. It was indeed very edifying. We were much pleased and agreed with him perfectly. Our school is looked upon with favor by the people of Liao, and we have not been disturbed in the least. We verily believe this is because the Lord has helped us, and hope you will continue to pray for us. We especially wish you a peaceful summer."

Girls' school by Mrs. Wang (Li Chieh Chen):

"From the time Miss Shock left, this quarter of school has continued very good and the students are all well. In the grades, including kindergarten, we have more than sixty students. There were eight girls graduated from the Higher Primary. Vacation began June 22 and there are no students living in the school now.

"Some students wish to continue schooling, but they do not have enough money and hope the church may be able to help them. May God always be with you."

Women's Bible School by Miss Wang:

"The Women's School was in session continuously from the opening of school until vacation with no disturbances or intermissions. There were only two graduates from our school."

"The program of the (Union) graduating exercises (Mrs. Li presiding):

Song by the audience.
Prayer—Dr. Wang.
Announcement of purpose of the meeting by the Chairman.
Oration—Boy Student.
Song—Girls' School Students.
Graduating speeches—Girl Students.
Song—Boy Students.
Graduating speeches—Women's School Graduates.
Song—Women's School Students.
Address—Mr. Tsai Yü.
Address and presentation of diplomas—Magistrate Kuo.
Visitors' speeches—Supt. of Schools Wu.
Chief of Police Yang.
Words of appreciation and dismissal—by the Chairman."

In the beginning of June our Liao Chow territory was again invaded by organized bandits, called the "Red Spears." These come from Honan and when opportunity affords they make sallies across the border. They are organized after military fashion and originally carried no arms except spears. They are a fanatic group. They go through certain incantations that are supposed to make them invulnerable to gun shot. They fear nothing. They consist of local farmers who had organized themselves for the purpose of opposing the bandits, excessive taxes and militarism wherever it exists, but they have fallen heir to guns and ammunition and being hard pressed for a living, they have gone to looting and are no different from professional bandits. These came into our Matien village and surrounding country, looting where looting was good and then destroying the rest. They relieved a former village elder of all his riches, burned his furniture and ruined his home. Many others received the same treatment. They remained some days after which the governor sent 500 troops to clean them out, but of course when they appeared the "Red Spears" were already gone. Part of the soldiers lived in our chapel at Matien for a week.

The latter part of May Bro. Oberholtzer made a trip into Liao Chow from Tientsin. The work seemed to be going as usual, and the Chinese brethren were assuming their responsibility seriously and well. They encountered some difficulties that needed discipline and disposed of them in a very dignified way without much appeal to the foreigner for help and advice.

Pastor Li of Taiyuan has gone to his home in Shantung and expects to bring his wife and child back with him.

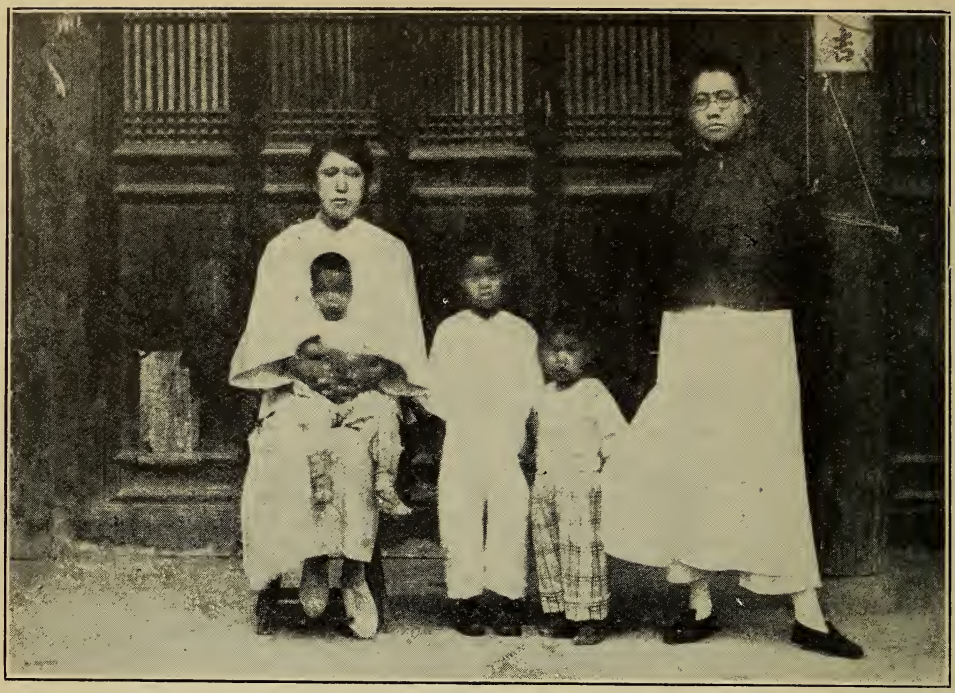
Mrs. Chang is visiting in the homes, helping in the Sisterhood Meetings and in the services held in the Women's Prison. She and Mr. Chang have charge of the work while Pastor Li is gone.

The Boys' Club has closed for the summer, and Mr. Chang is conducting a Vacation Bible School instead. Over twenty pupils were already enrolled.

The annual conference of the Chihli-Shansi Christian Educational Association was held June 28 to 30 at Yen Ching University, near Peking. From our foreign educational staff, Brethren Seese and Flory and Sister Metzger attended. These made their way to Peking from Pei Tai Ho where the missionaries are now located. Mrs. Pollock also attended this conference.

Eight foreigners and some eighty Chinese were in attendance. The larger portion of time was given to considering the future of Christian education in China. Much time was spent in open discussion. The importance of Christian education was greatly stressed. There are difficulties in the way, but the Chinese are generally optimistic and unanimous in desiring to push forward with renewed energy. Schools which have registered with the government report no serious difficulty. Reliable information appears to indicate that there is likely to be stricter government control in the future. The need for more wholly consecrated teachers becomes apparent as the political difficulties arise.

Mr. Nieh, principal of the Show Yang Boys' School, was the only Chinese with courage enough to make the journey from the mission in Shansi. He reports some 30,000 troops guarding the French railroad in Shansi. Just recently Governor Yen of Shansi has joined the Southern Nationalist party and army. He has raised the new flag—the blue sky with the white sun—which is to indicate the new era of light. Mr. Nieh reports all quiet on the surface, but because of this great change of government there is an undercurrent of uneasiness. Several factions are bringing pressure upon the governor to join them in the war; but, up to the present, he is at home attending to his own business.



Dr. Hsing at Shou Yang

Dr. Hsing and his good Christian wife enter whole heartedly into their work at Shou Yang. Mrs. Hsing has a good Christian foundation and a nurses' certificate. She is quite capable and self sacrificing both with her family and any other work that comes to her hand. With their three children they make almost an ideal Christian home in the community.

The doctor has had charge of the Shou Yang hospital for nearly five years. Being a local man and a good consecrated Christian gentleman, the local people have gained great confidence in him. He is a graduate of both Shantung Christian University and the Peking Union Medical college. In the winter of 1926 he took three months' post graduate work in the Peking Union Medical college.

At the request of the Cultivation Committee Dr. Hsing prepared the following article for the readers of the Visitor. W. J. Heisey.

Opportunity for Medical Work at Shou Yang

Y. T. HSING

THE English Baptist Mission had begun medical work at Shou Yang before the Boxer Revolution in 1900. Because their facilities were limited their work naturally could not cover the whole of the county, and it was impossible but that it should receive criticism from a large number of people, and consequently, a great many sick people would not trust themselves into the care of the foreign doctor. Therefore, what otherwise should have been a definite help to the spread of the Saving Gospel, became more of a hindrance. This was most unfortunate.

Since the Shou Yang work has been taken over by the Church of the Brethren methods of work have been changed somewhat, and the people generally are becoming more friendly to the work. About the time the work was thus taken over, I was invited to assist in the hospital work, and I hope that even with my very poor ability, I shall be able to help in the spread of the Gospel. Being a native of Shou Yang the people are very willing to associate with me, and because of this the work of the hospital has been gradually increasing.

Seeing that our building and equipment were very inadequate to meet the needs of the community, the gentry and local business men contributed about $1,600.00, Mex. With this we built several wards for in-patients and an operating room. We also painted and cleaned up the old buildings, thus making the general appearance look like new. Now the in-patients and daily dispens-

ary calls have increased so that with our small staff we are scarcely able to give proper treatment to them all. Our funds are still too small to invite another doctor to assist, and we are unable to perform many important major operations.

Since the hospital opened the local receipts have gradually increased. This has been most fortunate. In 1926 these local receipts were equal to the amount received from the mother church in America. If we can by some means secure a little more money we will be able to invite a few more assistants, and we will then be able to meet all the opportunities offered by Western medicine.

Thus, through the influence of the hospital, we will not only be able to help the people of Shou Yang, but we will also be able to help spread the Saving Gospel and establish the church permanently among the people.

WHAT CHINESE CHRISTIANS SAY

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people, we are no longer oppressed by the old conception which insisted that the church should have nothing to do with politics, and we have come to realize our duty in the big mission before us for the salvation of our nation. We therefore beg to clearly express our attitude in the following:

We believe that the Nationalist Revolution, under the leadership of the Kuomingtang, is an immense moral force which stands for the salvation of our country and our people. For this reason, we, as a whole, support the Nationalist Government, assist the National Revolutionary Army, and believe that the "Three People's Principles," the "Outline for the Development of China," and the internal and foreign policy and program of the Kuomingtang Party present the only scheme for the emancipation of our people and the salvation of our nation. We also volunteer to participate in the People's Revolutionary Movement, for which we will work hard, externally to overthrow imperialism in order to build up an equal and independent nation on the earth; internally to overthrow militarism and a bad system of government, to better the living conditions of farmers and laborers, and to construct a just and progressive social order in which every individual may enjoy a living with plenty to eat and enough to wear; and for the final goal of world-wide revolution, and the equality of all human beings.

Jesus founded his religion on the spirit of liberty, love, sacrifice, and service; struggled against the force of sin; and was never willing to compromise. Originally he was a great revolutionary force. In the past not a few of our fellow Christians devoted their lives to revolutionary work; some of them initiated the movement, and others sacrificed their lives for the cause; and even now we have no small number of Christians who are either leaders in the Nationalist Government or officers in the army or connected with other lines of revolutionary work. We recognize them as the best example of real Christians. As we remember these forerunners, we become bolder and braver and try harder to carry out our duty for the salvation of our nation. We wish most earnestly to participate in the Revolutionary Movement in accordance with the revolutionary spirit of Christ, who overthrew Phariseeism, the traditional ethics, the nobility who oppressed the common people, and finally gave up his life on the cross.

We are also conscious of the fact that imperialism is not only the worst enemy of our people and our country, but is also the worst enemy of Christianity. History shows that it has oftentimes utilized the Church to increase its power and force. When Christianity was awake to start a revolution it was always crushed and oppressed; for instance, the attempts that were made to prevent Morrison from coming to China to preach, and recently, the persecution by the imperialists of some open-minded missionaries because they expressed sympathy with the emancipation movement of the Chinese. The British Government will not allow Christian literature to enter Hong Kong because it stands for the emancipation of the Chinese people and the overthrow of imperialism. Most recently Christianity and its work became the target of open attack by the imperialists in their homelands on the ground that the church furnished the dynamic of anti-imperialism and of the movement of revolution in China. This shows that imperialism, both in its nature and history, is fundamentally out of harmony with Christianity and is therefore our worst enemy. Christianity, as well as the landless classes and the weaker nations of the world, is the slave of imperialism. Now we all stand up with a firm resolution to overthrow this master. We are struggling not only for the emancipation of our people, but also for the emancipation of our religion.

We are very happy to know that the National Christian Council has passed a resolution in favor of the abolition of the "unequal treaties." We as a whole support this resolution. We don't want Christianity to be built on the foundation of the gunboat policy. Neither do we wish to see the spreading of the Gospel dependent upon the backing of any military force. The nature of the policy of aggression and military force is fundamentally contrary to the principle of Christianity. Christianity can only be built upon the foundation of the morality and personality of its followers and the success of their work in the salvation of the nation and the world; and its strongest backing must be the sacrificial blood of its followers shed for the sake of their religion. Even if we are misunderstood and attacked

by others on account of our faith, we would not seek the protection of Christianity from the "unequal treaties" which are capable of overthrowing our country and imperiling our race.

Should there be any foreign missionaries who love their own countries more than they love Christ and who are unwilling to help us in our National Revolution of the moment, we wish them to go back to their own countries as soon as possible. The only thing we can do is to work hard for the independence of the Christian Church so that it may be free from the control of foreigners and may rid itself forever of all relationships with imperialism.

With regard to the question of the rehabilitation of educational rights, we as a whole pledge our support and our best efforts for its success. We will bring all Christian schools under the management of the Chinese Christians, subject to the regulations of the Chinese Government, everything concerning the administration and the curricula of these schools to be in accordance with the educational system of the Chinese Government.

Finally, we wish to speak a few words in regard to the Anti-Christian Movement which is promoted by some of our fellow countrymen. The make-up and quality of Christianity are very complicated. It cannot help having some reactionary elements. During its history it has acquired certain rituals and forms that are not quite suited to the nature of the Chinese people; and furthermore, there are also bad elements in the Church who do not live up to the standard of the Church and who act in ways contrary to the teachings of the Church, thus becoming a disgrace to the whole religion. Meanwhile we admit our weakness and our sins. We also admit that these are the inevitable shortcomings of every big organization. The first thing that Jesus, the Founder of our religion, taught was that we must repent. So we recognize the Anti-Christian Movement to be our candid friend. With regard to their criticism we hold the spirit of an ancient teacher who said, "If you have blundered, you must repent; if you have not blundered, you must try harder." We are closely watched by those outside. Inside the Church we are prompted by a desire to save the nation and the world. We will bend every effort to work for the reformation of Christianity. On the negative side we will improve the ritual, theology, organization, and methods of the Church; on the positive side we will make our religion a religion which is suitable to the spirit of our nation and the lives of our people. At the same time we will do our best to preserve religious liberty. We will never give up the faith which gave us peace of heart and the courage of life no matter what oppression or persecution comes from military powers or political authorities. We wish to be like Cromwell who saved his nation through his religion. We will never be like Judas who betrayed his Lord for his own benefit.

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THE CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL IN CHINA

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Training in citizenship is another opportunity of the Christian high school of first importance. One of the greatest difficulties confronting China in her struggle for democracy is the clannishness of her citizens. In a democracy the citizens must have national interests, altruism must get beyond the kinship group. Honesty must prevail in public life as well as in private life. Funds contributed by others, whether by taxation or by free gift, must be handled as conscientiously as the home earnings. It will take an idealism that has back of it something higher than a materialistic philosophy to work these reforms. The high school age is a critical period for citizenship training. Honorable citizens or dishonorable citizens are generally made during this period.

Another field of service for the Christian high school which cannot be overestimated is the development of an intelligent church constituency. Christianity is a religion that thrives among educated people. It is strongest in those countries where education is most highly developed. It has difficulty to maintain a foothold in Russia and education is very backward in that country. Christianity is growing stronger each year in Japan and Japanese education is improving every year. Those missions which have fostered a strong educational program in China have least to fear in a crisis like the present. Christianity is not a superstition; it is a reality; it appeals to the intelligent mind.

Besides, the high school gives an opportunity to discover students' religious interests, their qualities of leadership, and their devotion to high ideals of life. It is the best agency, if properly used, to select leaders for the church that has yet been found. It is the age of life decisions. The church should not lose this opportunity to make an appeal for a religious decision under the most favorable conditions possible.

It is true that not all of China's forty mil-

lion youths will attend high school. Not even a large percentage of those who go to high school will attend Christian high schools. A more careful selection needs to be made than formerly so as to keep out the indifferent and lawless classes. But after all necessary eliminations have been made, the schools will have all the students they can accommodate, and this student body will constitute an opportunity to develop a nucleus of leadership for the future China that any man or woman may be proud to have had a part in its development.

In closing I wish to relate two experiences with our own high school boys during the past year. One Sunday morning, in the class which I was leading, we had the subject of ethical standards for boys and girls when they associate together under the new order. I tried to impress upon them that proper standards and moral conviction to uphold them must now take the place of walls of seclusion to protect them in their associations together. At the close of the period I asked one of the students to lead in prayer and he made this significant plea, "Lord, lead us as we are leaving the old and have not yet learned the new, lest we fall." Then when the consul called us from Shansi, we received the telegram on Friday to come to the coast for an indefinite period. On Sunday morning I met the class and we talked over the present situation in a very frank way. They wondered whether the United States was going to make war on China because of the Nanking incident. At the close of the period I told them that we had been called out, and I supposed we would have to go. Then they asked, "Now that you are going, what will we do?" We left practically all our things behind when we left our home at Ping Ting, but the most difficult thing for me was to leave the boys who had asked that question. Remember, there are thousands of young people and older ones too who are asking that question in China today.

CHINESE CHRISTIANS WRITE TO OUR MISSIONARIES

"I quite understand God keeps the men who trust in him. When you people left here we did not know what would happen and felt very much in danger, but now we know God will open a way for us and we feel at peace."

"You have done so much for me I want to do something now for those you love here. We remember what you have taught us and are trying to live it."

"These last few years it is constantly advocated that the Chinese organize their own church and lead out. Do you think we Christians in Liao Chou could stand on our own feet? Things are quiet here. We are praying for you."

THE TWO PRAYERS

Last night my little boy confessed to me
  Some childish wrong;
And kneeling at my knee
  He prayed with tears:
"Dear God, make me a man,
  Like daddy—wise and strong;
I know you can."

Then while he slept
  I knelt beside his bed,
Confessed my sins,
  And prayed with low-bowed head;
"O God, make me a child,
  Like my child here—
Pure, guileless,
  Trusting thee with faith sincere."

—From The Expositor.

HOSPITAL MATERIALS NEEDED IN AFRICA

1. Bandages—from good material assorted in 1, 2 and 3 inch widths and not less than 2 yards long.
2. Good wash cloths.
3. Good firm hand towels.
4. Sheets 2½ yards long and 2 yards wide.

These will likely be sent by post. Please be sure that they are addressed to

Brethren Mission Hospital
Garkidda, via Jos, Nigeria,
West Africa.

Boxes or parcels addressed to individuals are dutiable even though the contents are for the hospital. Those directed to the hospital are supposed to be duty free. If you think advisable we think it would be well to put a notice in the Messenger about this addressing of packages meant for the hospital.

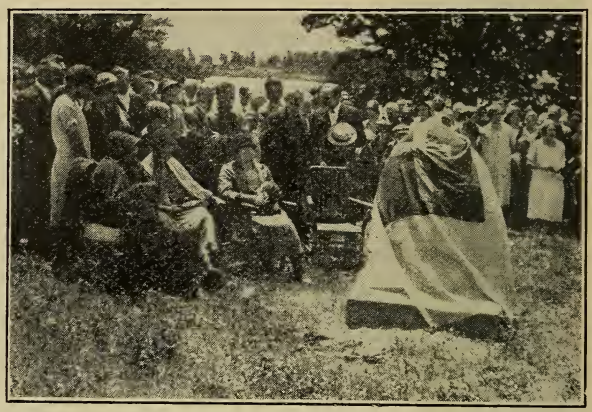
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MEDICAL COMMITTEE,
Esther Beahm, Secretary.

Ross Monument Unveiled at Camp Mack

WILBUR B. STOVER

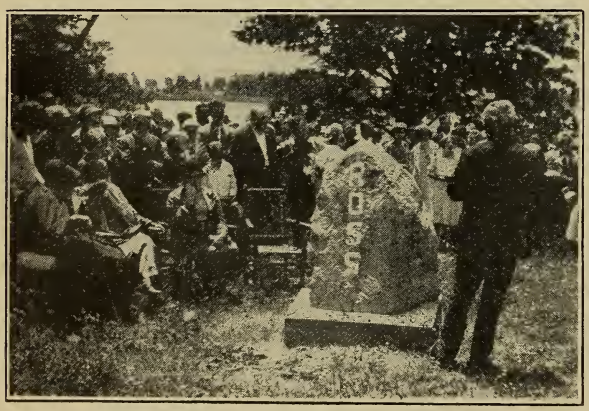
Pioneer Missionary to India

A PROGRAM for the Fourth of July at Camp Mack had been prepared by Bro. Shultz, the man on the job at the camp. Folks gathered in, until about a thousand were present. The day was all that could be desired. Bro. Charles Bonsack made the forenoon address. He told in his own inimitable way how he visited the several mission fields of the Brethren, how the different peoples all looked alike to him at the first, but it was not long until they were as well known as personalities as men usually are. He pressed the points that the work is growing, has been well begun, the men on the field at present are doing overwork, and that we must stand by them continuously. The Indian workers are taking hold splendidly, and will do their part as well as any of us do ours; some of them will do some better than some of us.



Brother Charles D. Bonsack asks pioneer Missionary Wilbur B. Stover to unveil the Ross Memorial stone

Mr. E. T. Albertson, of Indianapolis, a Quaker, the State Secretary for the Indiana Council of Religious Education, in the afternoon made a forceful address on the general subject of Peace, for the Friends have made much more progress on peace matters than we have, and we can well afford to learn from them. Friend Albertson stressed the idea that there are many ways of showing one's patriotism besides that of the warlike spirit. The real patriotism is not the spirit of war, but the spirit of endurance for the right, at any costs, and the refusal to do the wrong; in the case of war, it means the refusal to take up arms and become a combatant, for the destruction of life and property. He suggested that Bro. Shultz is doing a great piece of patriotic work for his church and deserves to be recognized by his people for the work he is doing..



The Prayer of Consecration

In the morning Bro. Adam Ebey conducted the worship service. Following the address of Bro. Bonsack, the company went over to a memorial stone which had been erected to the memory of Bro. A. W. Ross. This stone was to be unveiled, and Bro. Bonsack and I were asked to do this. Bro. Bonsack announced that he was turning it over to me. The second photo was caught in the moment of the consecration prayer, when all hearts responded with a very tender feeling, expressed in silent tears. Bro. Ross' mother, his wife, Flora, and Sister Stover are seen seated on the chairs near by, while all others were standing throughout the service.

Editor's note. The following is a copy of the brief address made by Bro Stover:

"Thirty-three years ago, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and with the practical leadership of such men as Daniel Vaniman and D. L. Miller, the Church of the Brethren dared to create a new horizon, and send forth men into fields beyond, there to preach the Gospel and lay the foundations of the church.

"Theirs was a real sense of spiritual proportions. They had the vision of a growing kingdom of God, without frontiers. They believed in the Lord, in the church, in her message, and were eager to sacrifice everything in order to carry that message unchanged to the uttermost parts of the earth.

"Men who brave the frontiers are prophets; they blaze trails for others to walk in. They enjoy the job, for it is a real man's job; the others are often hard put in their endeavor to uphold the standards thus set for them.

"S. N. McCann and Steven Berkebile and A. W. Ross were men of the prophet type. They blazed trails; they broke new paths in the primeval jungles; they staked their lives on the proposition, and won. They have laid down their lives in the service.

"We are assembled here today to do honor to the memory of Bro. Ross. It is exceedingly fitting that we do so. When we honor the memory of one of God's heroes, we cultivate the same heroic spirit in service that he so much enjoyed. When we pray the prayer of consecration, the only change that comes about, as a result of that prayer, is not in the stone, **but in us;** whatever change comes as we now consecrate this stone will come in us as a changed attitude to the proposition. So let us pray."

INDIA NOTES

Ahwa

Kathryn B. Garner

This year we had an unusually pleasant hot season which has now closed. There was no time when the thermometer registered above 103 F. However, the water shortage was more tense than sometimes. It may have been partly caused by the durbar being later than usual. One never realizes how much water it takes to supply one's needs until a scarcity is experienced.

The Ahwa school closed April 22. Most of the children vanished soon after. There were only seven in the boarding school during vacation. We tried to find enough for them to do to keep them out of mischief.

June 8 school opened again, and after a week of adjusting, things seem to be going in real earnest. There are nearly ninety on the roll. The technical school kept running all during the hot season, and the boys who stayed by and went on with their carpenter work made enough progress to make some who were out feel they didn't want to continue. They felt they were too far behind.

The village schools didn't have vacation this hot season. The people of the village where we have our most promising school asked for it to continue. They said their children would have nothing to do if they had vacation. It is very encouraging to see how eager those people are for education. It is not so in any other village so far.

June 3 we had a very helpful love feast. About 115 persons communed. More of those present stayed through the whole service than usual. This was perhaps due to the fact that we had one of our Indian elders present to officiate, and he was able to handle the people better than a missionary. On the two days previous, we had a service each day preparatory to the communion services.

On the day following the love feast, we had a wedding ceremony when two couples were married. The one couple were young folks just out of school. They went out to a village to live where the young man is teaching his first school. The other was the marriage of a widow and widower. This is a place where widows can remarry, which is not the case in all parts of India. Even among our Christian people men are often not willing to marry widows, but will take young uneducated girls rather than a widow far more suitable as we see it. This no doubt is due to the old custom which forbade a widow ever to remarry.

Brother Nathelal, who came to assist in the love feast, remained with us over Sunday and gave a most helpful message to our people on that day.

As I listen to the baritone chorus of the frogs, I'm reminded that monsoon is on in full sway. How good it is to have plenty of water again! How the parched earth takes in the refreshing rain! It seems almost unbelievable that in less than a week the dry brown earth becomes covered with its velvety green carpet. Isn't it wonderful how nature responds to its Maker? Will you not pray that your representatives in this land may show forth the love of God so that these parched souls may be filled with the water of life and be fruitful in his vineyard?

MISSIONARY SPIRIT IN ACTION

Dear Brethren:

Please accept the enclosed with my prayers for the advancement of the cause of Christ in foreign lands. I only wish it were more. May the day soon come when "the knowledge of the Lord shall cover the earth as the waters cover the sea."

Very truly yours,

From a sister who has traveled in foreign lands and knows the needs of the world.

The Workers' Corner

The editor invites helpful contributions for this department of the Visitor

MISSIONARY NEWS

Christian Workmen Organize. C. C. Steinbeck reports from Peking: "A most interesting experiment is being tried by a number of iron-workers and plumbers, boys and men connected with our high school, in the department known as that of engineering practice. Upon their own initiative, they have recently formed a League of Christian Workmen, consisting of about fifty men and boys of the shop (out of a total of seventy-five), whose purpose is the evangelization and education of other workmen. So far as we know, nothing like this has ever been done before. The regular activities will consist of a weekly prayer meeting, a Sunday afternoon preaching service, and a night school five nights a week. Their pledge contains the following points:

"Every day to read some portion of the Scriptures and pray; to give not less than one hour each week to the service of other workmen or apprentices through evangelistic work, preaching, leading in religious singing, teaching classes in Bible, 'thousand characters,' arithmetic, drafting, English, etc.; or visiting sick workmen and rendering assistance; to give one per cent of salary each month for the financing of the work of the League."—From the Missionary Review of the World.

An Indian Pastor's Reply. The eightieth annual report of the American Missionary Association tells of a conference of all the Indian pastors of the Cheyenne River Reservation, South Dakota. At this time occurred the ordination of Clayton Hold, the Indian pastor of the Cheyenne River Congregational Church. The council consisted of pastors and delegates from neighboring Indian and white churches, about three quarters of the membership being Indian. One of the latter asked the candidate where the devil lived. He replied that a long time ago he could have answered this with precision, but for many years now he had had no dealings with that gentleman, and he therefore advised his questioner to ask somebody who had associated with the devil more lately.—From the Missionary Review of the World.

Sailings of Missionaries. Frank H. Crumpacker, missionary to China, sailed from Vancouver on the S. S. "Empress of Russia" leaving there July 21 for Kobe, Japan. From there he sailed to Tientsin, China. Sailings for the other missionaries to China have not been arranged. It is not now known whether their return to the field will be possible.

The party going to India, including A. S. B. Miller, his wife and children, A. G. Butterbaugh and his wife and children, and Susan L. Stoner will leave New York on September 17 on the S. S. "Samaria" of the Cunard Steam Ship Line. Miss Verna Blickenstaff and Miss Anna Brumbaugh will leave for India on September 7 if reservations can be secured for them.

Dr. Homer L. Burke and his wife will leave New York September 8 on the S. S. "Homeric" of the White Star Line. Dr. Burke will stop in England to take the British medical examination which will qualify him as a full practitioner in British territory. Sailing for Dr. Russell Robertson and his wife has not yet been arranged.

What Changed the Offering? A pastor was taking up a missionary collection recently when he said: "I want each of you to give today as though you were putting your money right into the pierced hand of Jesus Christ." A lady came up afterward and said, "I was going to give a half-dollar, but I did not do so."

"Why did you not do it?" the preacher asked.

"Do you think," replied the lady, "I would put a half-dollar into his pierced hand? I have $10.00 at home and I am going to give that."

If we were putting our money into the pierced hand of our Lord our contributions

would amount to millions, and the world would be evangelized in ten years.

"Those Absurd Missionaries." This is the title of an article which appeared in the July number of the 1927 Scribner's Magazine. To those who are devoted to the missionary cause, the title sounds just a bit jarring to say the least, but the article is really worth-while. All who can secure a copy of the magazine should read the article.

BOOK REVIEWS

Spiritual Energies in Daily Life, by Rufus M. Jones. Macmillan. Cloth, $1.50.

Dr. Jones, a strong leader in the Friends Church, is very sure that Christians have at their command mighty spiritual forces that have worked and will work great miracles in life. He is able to present the workings of the spiritual power in such a manner as to cause the reader to hunger and thirst for the releasing of spiritual power in his life. His interpretation of Scripture is unique and refreshing. He understands the spiritual peace which transcends material things and is able to portray to his readers what he feels in his own soul. This book is very helpful to ministers and other Christian leaders.

Your Thoughts and You, by Kathrine R. Logan. Doran. Cloth, $1.35.

Here is a book chuck full of rich thought that will make any person desire to live a fuller and higher life. It is not a preachment but a fountain at which people will want to quench their thirst. The chapter headings are: I. Our Daily Thought. II. Inner Furnishings. III. An Ordered Life. IV. Quotations for Thought Enrichment. V. Preserving the Best. The book is enriched throughout by choicest quotations from the Bible and other literature. Chapter IV is an arrangement of verses from the Bible and other literature for use in memorizing during the weeks of the year. It would be especially valuable for children and young people at the age when they should be storing their minds with the choicest bits of verse.

The Goddess of Mercy, by James Livingstone Stewart. Revell. Price, $2.00.

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A Box of Questions

1. Is it too late to join the workers for "Our Black Brothers" and "Building in Africa"?

No. The projects are to continue the remainder of the year and anyone wishing to join those already engaged in the work may do so.

2. Do you have a program or pageant to be used at the end of the "Black Brothers" project, similar to the one of last year?

We are planning program material to close the work of the project. As yet it is not ready, but it will be available later. Announcement will be made when it is off the press and ready for distribution.

3. Will you please recommend books or pamphlets containing material for missionary programs?

The Workers' Corner of the Missionary Visitor often contains material suitable for programs.

"Making Missions Real," by Jay S. Stowell, 75c, and "Missionary Program Material," by Anita B. Ferris, $1.00, are two very good books which will help solve the problem of a missionary program. Secure from the Brethren Publishing House.

Mrs. Frank H. Crumpacker has been working on a book which will contain valuable aids to program planning. Further announcement in regard to this book will be made when it is printed and ready for distribution.

4. Does the Mission Board continue to advocate the Church School of Missions?

Yes, the Church School of Missions is still advocated. The Sunday evening programs for them are arranged for the different age groups. Mission Study is proposed from January to March inclusive. If the different age groups are having their classes, the church has a School of Missions even though it may not be called by that particular name. Most churches are able to have at least three classes—junior, young people's, and adult. If the church has the leadership to take charge of more groups, there ought to be a group for beginners and intermediates.

The Women's Department

Conducted by Nora M. Rhodes

DALLAS CENTER, IOWA

Echoes from District Aid Societies

Eastern Pennsylvania—Florence B. Gibbel, Secretary

THE Eastern District of Pennsylvania has thirty Sisters' Aid Societies, with an enrollment of 448 active members and 449 associate members. The amount of money received by these various Societies during 1926 totaled to $6,609.41. This sum was acquired largely by "pushing the needle." Garments, such as dresses, aprons, blouses, sunbonnets, and dust caps, and quilts and comforters were made and sold. Collections, dues, and donations helped to make up the above amount. This is the work that can be measured in dollars and cents. There is a greater work that is beyond the power of arithmetic to compute. Many a home was cheered by having "The Ladies' Aiders" drop in a day to sew, to do some canning, or to help wait on the sick.

The reports show that $4,295.33 was given for home work. This includes liberal donations toward the running expenses of the home churches, donations to the home ministers, clothing, bedding, shoes, coal, and money to needy families in the home communities. Flowers, fruit, groceries, and mot-to-cards were given to the aged and sick. Contributions were made to the Visiting Nurses' Associations and to local hospitals. Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets were also given. The Ephrata Society, besides remembering those in their home community, sent a Christmas bag to each guest at the Brethren Home for the Aged and the Orphanage at Neffsville. The Greene County mission lies very close to our hearts and many Societies continue to send splendid boxes of clothing to these needy people each year. The Bethany Hospital has also been remembered.

The total sum given to foreign work amounted to $917.00. Many Societies contributed to the World-wide Fund. Our quota of $280.00 for the Africa Hospital was met. Praise the Lord! There are no deficits in the Sisters' Aid. Some Societies always send more than their quota, and some sisters give extra personal contributions.

May God bless the dear Aiders of Eastern Pennsylvania, as well as of the entire Brotherhood. May they not only be fellow-workers but fellow-workers for God, and above all, may they always be conscious of the fact that they are fellow-workers **with** God.

Middle Indiana—Edith Miller, Secretary

The Aid Societies in the Middle District of Indiana now number thirty-seven, and judging from the reports, they are all busy workers for the Lord. No doubt our aims and methods are much the same as other Districts. We have always tried to respond to the calls as they came, whether in the immediate church community, some needy place in the U. S., or the work on the foreign field. Whatever the objective, as set by the general Aid meeting, our District has faithfully tried to do its share. Our quota for the hospital in Africa is $700.00 for the two years and we are sure it will be raised.

Within our district is an Old People and Orphans' Home located at Mexico. Many garments are placed there each year, and several Aids have remembered them with special dinners. Manchester College is also in our District and last year a number of our Aids, as did those of other Districts, responded to the call for furnishing rooms in the new dormitory. We are close enough to Chicago for garments and eatables to be placed there, as well as Bethany Hospital being remembered with money donations.

The local churches in the District have also benefited by their Aid workers. Assist-

ance has been given to the finance and ministerial boards in some churches. In other places church repairs and remodeling work have been materially helped through the generosity of the Aid. Again, the pastor's salary has received a boost or the evangelist has been remembered. Neither has the missionary offering been neglected and at least one Aid gives regular mission support through the share plan.

How is it all accomplished? Through sacrifice, prayer, and a willingness to "do all the good we can, in all the ways we can, and in all the places we can." Our methods of raising money are much the same as in other Districts. Markets have proved profitable and popular; sale dinners net a good income. Other ways of serving meals have been through chicken dinners served in town, election meals, and threshing dinners. Ice cream socials and bazaars have been profitable as well as the selling of extracts and the steady income from quilting and selling of goods. Free will offerings are largely adhered to though some tax their members. One Aid gave out Rainy Day bags accompanied by the following verse:

If you work or if you play, Remember me each rainy day,
Do not think you have not time, I only ask at least a dime,
You may feel I need much more, Don't forget I never close the door,
What I hold is for good work, So your duty never shirk,
I would have the Aid restored, And you receive a rich reward,
As we work or as we play, Let us welcome the rainy day.

Southern California and Arizona
Mrs. Cora Hoff, Secretary

The District of S. California and Arizona has wide-awake Aid Societies, which number eighteen in all. We have three District officers who visit all the Aids if possible each year, and carry some message to them, and I am sure we get many new thoughts to take with us. Our president, Sister Della Lahemer, gave talks on the "Relation of the Sisters' Aid to the Church." At some places they have asked for these talks to be repeated.

The District does all kinds of work. Last year there were 1,517 calls made among the sick, and this alone is a wonderful work. There were over 600 garments made and given to the needy. This year we paid our quota for the Africa Hospital, and all are up and doing for our college at La Verne.

Lewistown, Pa., Mrs. Geo. White, Secretary

Our Society met fifty days during the year with an average of nine members present. We received from dues, quilting, and a food sale, $349.73. We gave $162.75 to foreign missions, of which $118.00 was earned from a food sale for our missionary thank offering. We gave $38.59 to mission work in the U. S. and helped other causes to the extent of $135. We sent two barrrels of very good clothing—overcoats, shoes, etc.—to the Virginia Industrial Home. This year we are selling soup each Aid meeting and are doing very well.

The women of Summerfield, Kans., had an offering of $20.00 at their observance of the Day of Prayer for Missions last March.

The women of Tyrone, Pa., have organized a Woman's Missionary Society and have already had several interesting meetings.

Monthly Program Outline for Women's Missionary Societies

Text—A Straight Way Toward Tomorrow. Lesson—Chapter 1.

Hymn—Dear to the Heart of the Shepherd.

Textbook Introduction—A Dream on the Sandy Beach.

Scripture—Isa. 54: 11-17.

Prayer for this study.

Chapter 1 considers the heritage of world children since 1914.

Destructive and Constructive forces at work. See outline page 1.

Let two women represent these two forces and state their cases. Pp. 4-27.

Explain and read the Declaration of Geneva. Pp. 29-30.

Renew loyalty to Declaration of Jesus Christ. Read pp. 30-31.

Close with prayer for our children and the children of every land.

Women's Mission Study Books, 1927-28

A Straight Way Toward Tomorrow—Platt; paper 50c, cloth 75c.
The Story of Missions—White; paper 50c, cloth 75c.
New Paths for Old Purposes—Burton; paper 60c, cloth $1.00.



Conducted by Aunt Adalyn

A School Day at Garkidda

Written Especially for the "Black Brothers" Workers

ELLA MILLER FLOHR
Missionary to Africa

SOMETIMES the things that pupils and teachers do before and after school hours affect their school work; at any rate, you would be interested in the things the Bura boys do at any time. So I will begin this day at daybreak.

It is a Monday in February. You know February is also a winter month in Buraland, and even though the thermometer registers only 60 degrees, it is as cold to the people here as the coldest day of that month there.

The rising bell at 5:30 awakens every one on the compound. In spite of the cold the boys take their usual bath, hands, face and head. When the second bell rings at 6:00 they hurry along to morning prayers. You would be touched to watch them file in, quietly and orderly, wrapped in their blankets of cotton. They sit down on the floor. When they pray they are not only on their knees but they bow their faces forward to the floor or ground. As soon as prayers are over the boarding school boys are assigned to their work for the day, carrying mud or stones to the builders. They get a big palm leaf to put on their heads on which they carry their loads. This job lasts from 6:30 till 9:30 when the bell signals breakfast.

Of course the house boys and the boys who cook have gone to our houses from prayers and have started their bed-making, cleaning and breakfast. The cooks sweep their kitchens the first thing after they make fire. Breakfast dishes are supposed to be washed and dinner on cooking by their breakfast time which is at 9:30 also.

School opens at 10:00. There are about 95 boys in school now, perhaps 25 boarding boys and the remainder day students and boys who help in our homes. There are four thirty-minute periods in the forenoon: reading, history, geography, writing, arithmetic, hygiene, composition and Bible classes. Some are taught by the members of the mission and some by the older boys. The work ranges from the very beginners to the third or fourth grade perhaps, age of boys from 6 or 7 to 16 years. One hour of the afternoon is devoted to industrial work, as yet very meagre because of the lack of facilities. The class in sewing (for the men do the sewing in this country) meets on the veranda of one of the mission homes. Other groups are at work weaving mats and baskets of palm fronds and making bark rope. The accompanying picture gives you an idea of how they work and what the product looks like. The two industrial buildings under construction now will make it possible to start several other kinds of work. The big loom is now assembled and after the boys learn to weave on the native looms they will learn to operate the big one.

The chapel exercise at 3:00 P. M. is conducted by the boys themselves. Mwada leads the music, Gana tells the story of Joseph, and Yerkoa offers the prayer. Few chapel exercises in the States equal these, especially from the standpoint of reverence and co-operation. They close with this song:

Pa-zhi jak-ta, I-sa di wa
A-di wa, a-di wa
Mda di a-pa I-sa wa
A-di wa, a-di wa.
I-sa ku sin-da m-bur ka boni
Tsa na du-na sai vir kuri
Pa-zhi jak-ta, I-sa di wa
A-di wa, a-di wa.



The Garkidda Schcolboys

This picture of the boys of the Garkidda School was taken in November, 1926. The suits of the boys were sent by the Aid Societies of Northeastern Ohio.

(In English, "There's Not a Friend Like the Lowly Jesus." The same tune.)

Could this one song be the link that binds all the Christians in the United States to the people of Africa? If you learn it and sing it at some of your programs you will undoubtedly feel an increasing interest for these young people who have found that there is one Friend above all others,

BY THE EVENING LAMP

Dear Aunt Adalyn: I have not seen any children's letters lately, so I will make one. I am eleven years old, and will be in the sixth grade next year. I belong to the Brethren church at Fruitland. Out here it is quite warm now. We live on a farm. My sister and I have to take cows to a pasture a half mile away from our house in the morning, and bring them home in the evening to be milked. I take music lessons, and play the piano for opening exercises at Sunday-school. We have lots of chickens and twenty little turkeys. I help feed them both. And we have lots of pigs. If any of the Juniors would write to me I would gladly answer. Much love. Evelyn R. High.

New Plymouth, Idaho.

A farm is a delightful place in summertime. My! I wish I could go down into the meadow where I used to bring home the cows when I was a little girl! And wasn't wading in the brook a lot of fun! We had a mulberry tree too, but I didn't like them. And a persimmon tree. Such puckery things!

SOME IOWA BIRDS GET THERE

Enclosed is a check for $31.15 for the Black Brothers Fund. The money was raised for missionary purposes by the Blue-bird Class of the Panther Creek Sunday-school. We intend to give our money for this year also to the Black Brothers Fund. Also find enclosed the pledge signed by the members of our class, numbering twenty-one. Please send all the information you can and the badges. Mabel Stine, Teacher.

Adel, Iowa.

NUTS TO CRACK

Hidden Crops

1. Some things are cooked best with slow heat.
2. I found a strange grotto at Seattle.
3. Yes, we attended the Indian durbar, Leyla.
4. Don't give Mary everything she wants.
5. It is a Hayti moth, you know.
6. You can't make Mac love Rachel.
7. Hatred is a synonym of rancor, Nellie.
8. Esther gets higher grades than Eric every time.

Hidden Word

I am composed of 9 letters.
My first is in Assam, but not in Anam.
My second is in Greece, but not in Italy.
My third is in Egypt, but not in Cairo.
My fourth is in Thibet, but not in Persia.
My fifth is in Sweden, but not in Norway.
My sixth is in Madagascar, but not in Africa.
My seventh is in Arabia, but not in India.
My eighth is in Algiers, but not in Morocco.
My ninth is in France, but not in England.
My whole is a busy month for boys and girls.

(Answers next month)

AUGUST NUTS CRACKED

Transformations

1. Sun—fun—fan—fag—fog.
2. Pup—put—pat—cat.
3. Ear—tar—tap—top—toe.
4. Boy—bay—may—man.
5. Hot—hat—hay—day—dry.
6. Jim—jam—jab—job—Bob.
7. Sky—say—sat—set—wet.
8. Air—sir—sit—fit—fat—fay—fly.

Dissected Word.—Junior League.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Conference Offering, 1927. As of July 30, 1927, the Conference (Budget) offering for the year ending February 29, 1928, stands as follows:
Cash received since March 1, 1927 .....$126,291.15

(The 1927 Budget of $408,300.00 is 30.9% raised, whereas it should be 41.5%.)

Mission Board Treasury Statement. The following shows the condition of mission finances on July 30, 1927:

Income since March 1, 1927	$131,770.09
Income same period last year	134,037.91
Expense since March 1, 1927	155,902.17
Expense same period last year	127,781.11
Mission deficit July 30, 1927	33,016.69
Mission deficit June 30, 1927	15,035.46
Increase in deficit for June, 1927	17,981.23

Tract Distribution: During the month of June the Board sent out 1,177 Doctrinal tracts.

Correction No. 12: See Sept., 1926, Visitor under World Wide, from credit of $425.55 to Lebanon cong. Sec. Va., $416.62 has since been designated for the support of Chalmer Shull.

Correction No. 13: See Aug., 1927, Visitor under Missionary Supports credit of $200 to support of Anna M. Forney by Pipe Creek cong. Mid. Ind., has since been designated for India Share Plan.

Correction No. 14: See May, 1927, Visitor under World Wide Missions credit of $10 to Jos. Crawford and wife (Everett), Mid. Pa., has since been designated for support of Dr. Carl Coffman.

Correction No. 15: See July, 1927, Visitor under World Wide credit of $5 to Olivet S. S., N. E. Ohio, has since been designated for support of A. D. Helser.

June Receipts: The following contributions for the various funds were received during June:

WORLD-WIDE MISSIONS

Arizona—$53.49
S. S. & D. V. B. S.: Glendale, $43.49; Indv.: B. F. Glick, $10, ... $ 53.49

California—$458.05
No. Dist., Cong.: Reedley, $10.79; S. W. Fahnestock (Oakland), $10, ... 20.79
So. Dist., Cong.: Covina, $25; Calvary, $200; Grant W. Bowman (1st Los Angeles), $50; Ada L. Winslow (Belvedere), $60; S. S.: Calvary, $75; Covina, $27.26, ... 437.26

Canada—$66.50
Cong.: First Irricana, $38; Redcliff, $21.10; S. S.: Mills Mission Study Class (Fairview) $7.40, ... 66.50

China—$15.00
Indv.: Mary Cline, $5; Elizabeth Baker, $10, 15.00

Colorado—$54.35
E. Dist., Cong.: Haxtun, $31.36; Rocky Ford, $20.29; Albert Snowberger (Denver) $2; S. G. Nickey (M. N.) (Colorado Springs), $.50, ... 54.35

Florida—$65.03
Cong.: Zion, $24.15; Seneca, $3.21; J. H. Moore (Sebring) $5; S. S.: Sebring, $32.67, .. 65.03

Idaho—$13.00
Cong.: Roy Rhodes (Boise Valley) $10; Mrs. G. W. Flory (Boise Valley) $3, ... 13.00

Illinois—$490.50
No. Dist., Cong.: Rockford, $18.48; Yellow Creek, $22.90; Hickory Grove, $20.58; J. S. Flory (M. N.) (Bethel) $.50; Harry C. Brown (M. N.) $.50; S. S.: Batavia, $18.16; Rockford, $12.77; Bethel, $44.78; Louisa (Waddams Grove) $14.75; 153.42
So. Dist., Cong.: Cerro Gordo, $60.61; Virden, $165.81; Romine, $2.92; Okaw, $71.72; Champaign, $23.48; Astoria, Woodland & Canton, $8.54; Indv.: Mary E. Clower, $4, ... 337.08

Indiana—$838.20
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Sugar Grove (Prairie Creek) $13; Loon Creek, $45.87; Salamonie, $49.45; So. Whitley, $20.91; W. Manchester, $34.82; Minnie M. Snider (Manchester) $10; S. S.: Mission Chapel (Manchester) $4.17; Loon Creek, $29.13; Salamonie, $30.60; Markle, $7.10; Aid Soc.: Lower Deer Creek, $7, ... 252.05
No. Dist., Cong.: Maple Grove, $90; Solomon Creek, $50; Union Center, $145; Yellow Creek, $79.80; Pleasant Hill, $50; Shipshewanna, $50.28; S. S.: Oak Grove, $45.53; C. W. S.: Union-Elkhart City, $5.54, ... 516.15
So. Dist., Cong.: Fairview, $50; S. S.: Ladoga, $20, ... 70.00

Iowa—$539.16
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Des Moines, $40; Dallas Center, $166; Ankeny, $20; Cedar, $2.87; C. Z. Reitz, (Maxwell) $40.20, ... 269.07
So. Dist., Cong.: Monroe Co., $16.81; Libertyville, $32.21; Franklin, $24; Fairview, $50; Mt. Etna, $110; Council Bluffs, $21; S. S.: Ottumwa, $11.47; Council Bluffs, $4.60, ... 270.09

Kansas—$269.15
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Lone Star; $44.51; Topeka, $25; Buckeye, $29; Mary Hickerson (McLouth) $10; Ica Marker (Topeka) $2; S. S.: Olathe, $4.60, ... 115.11
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Independence, ... 5.00
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Larned Rural, $48; Prairie View, $7.25; 1st Wichita, $93.29; J. J. Yoder (M. N.) (McPherson) $.50, ... 149.04

Louisiana—$30.75
Cong.: Jacob Longanecker (Roanoke) $15; S. S.: Roanoke, $15.75, ... 30.75

Maryland—$832.96
E. Dist., Cong.: Grossnickle (Upper Middletown Valley) $110; Myersville (Upper Middletown Valley) $185.45; Fulton Ave. Balt., $98.32; Bush Creek, $150; S. S.: Myersville (Upper Middletown Valley) $30.73; "Sunshine Band Class" (Meadow Branch) $12.60; Westminster (Meadow Branch) $85.86; Pleasant Hill (Bush Creek) $2, ... 674.96
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Broadfording, $118.43; A member (Manor) $25, ... 143.43
W. Dist., Cong.: Cherry Grove, $5; Georges Creek, $6.07; Westernport, $3.50, ... 14.57

Michigan—$53.00
Cong.: Sunfield, $28.60; Long Lake, $3.82; Homestead, $2.19; Zion, $6.29; S. S.: Grand Rapids, $6.85; D. V. B. S.: Onekama, $5.25 53.00

Minnesota—$43.80
Cong.: Worthington, $22.67; S. S.: Minneapolis, $21.13, ... 43.80

Missouri—$260.68
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Warrensburg, $3.80; So. Warrensburg, $126; Warrensburg City, $45.60; Mineral Creek, $51.18, ... 226.58
No. Dist., Cong.: No. St. Joseph, $2; Harvey Hostetter, (Smith Fork) $10, ... 12.00
S. W. Dist., S. S.: "Ever Ready" Class (Shoal Creek) $5; Jasper, $7; Cabool, $10.10, 22.10

Nebraska—$164.67
Cong.: Kearney, $4.01; Silver Lake, $16.53; Octavia, $4.10; So. Beatrice, $3.65; Lincoln, $67.70; Falls City, $43; A Helper (Silver Lake) $10; S. S.: Enders, $7.16; Afton, $5; Lincoln, $3.52, ... 164.67

North Dakota—$5.00
S. S.: Minot, ... 5.00

Ohio—$830.28
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Wooster, $100; Zion Hill, $73.50; Freeburg, $20; C. I. Schrock (Akron) $10, ... 203.50

N. W. Dist., Cong.: Dupont, $2.70; Bellefontaine, $3; Sugar Creek, $10; Fostoria, $2; Indv.: Agnes Smith, $3, ...
So. Dist., Cong.: Pitsburg, $19.43; W. Milton, $125; Ft. McKinley, $150; Troy, $17; Trotwood, $6; Pleasant Valley, $9.34; Congregations, $128.90; W. S. Ulery & Wife (W. Milton) $80; John H. Rinehart (Salem) $5; S. S.: Ft. McKinley, $11.54; New Carlisle, $25; Lower Miami, $28.87, ... 20.70

Oregon—$67.06
Cong.: Grants Pass, $45; Newberg, $2.85; Portland, $9.21; Myrtle Point, $2; Albany, $4; Jeff Pence & Wife (Grants Pass) $1; E. W. Pratt (Albany) $2; A Sister (Grants Pass) $1, ... 606.08

Pennsylvania—$2,249.04
E. Dist., Cong.: Richland, $200; No. 99158 (Maiden Creek) $30; Mrs. E. G. Meyer (Elizabethtown) $10; H. M. Frantz (Elizabethtown) $2; David N. Cassel (Hatfield) $10; Hannah Davis (Elizabethtown) $10; Aaron Hertzler (Lancaster) $2; Paul Mohler & Wife (Ephrata) $2; No. 98785 (Ephrata) $1.50; Unknown donor (Elizabethtown) $1; H. B. Yoder (M. N.) (Lancaster) $.50; S. S.: E. Fairview, $14.78; Indian Creek, $20.05; Conewago, $20; Ephrata, $21.25; E. Petersburg, $6.38; C. W. S.: Annville, $100, ... 67.06
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Spring Run, $19; Lewistown, $159.04; Aughwick, $34.36; Huntingdon, $5; 28th St. Altoona, $25; New Enterprise, $100; Lower Claar, $10; Carson Valley, $15; Williamsburg, $58.67; Mrs. Alice Swigart (Spring Run) $1; Mrs. A. W. Dupler (Huntingdon) $1; Mary A. Kinsey (Dunnings Creek) $10; Harvey C. Witter, (Welsh Run) $10; S. S.: Sugar Run (Aughwick) $2.66; Curryville (Woodbury) $6.26; Lewistown, $330.73; Rockhill (Aughwick) $6.80; Spring Mount (Warrior's Mark) $31.46; Maitland (Dry Valley) $7.20; Women's Missy. Soc.: First Altoona, $3; Y. P. D.: Junior (Lewistown) $55, ... 451.46
So. Dist., Cong.: New Fairview, $100; Sugar Valley, $2; Eastville (Sugar Valley) $75.75; Hanover, $146.35; Falling Spring, $62.61; Mechanicsburg, $144.11; Eld. B. F. Lightner (M. N.) (Marsh Creek) $.50; Mary Bixler (York) $4; S. S.: Melrose (Upper Codorus) $5.05; Mechanicsburg, $15; Pleasant Hill (Codorus) $2.18; New Fairview, $12.53; Hanover, $5.47; Aid Soc.: Mechanicsburg, $25; Indv.: Mrs. Mattie F. Hollinger, $1, ...
W. Dist., Cong.: Nanty Glo, $11; Scalp Level, $41.08; Mt. Pleasant, $6; Manor, $87.35; Roxbury, $1; Maple Glen, $56; Redbank, $2.42; Rummel, $86; Gotlieb Shreiber & Wife (Maple Grove-Johnstown) $4; A. G. Ober (Johnstown) $5; M. S. Reiman (Johnstown) $5, .. 304.85

Tennessee—$1.50
Indv.: A Sister, ... 1.50

Texas—$84.48
Cong.: Ft. Worth, ... 84.48

Virginia—$542.82
E. Dist., Cong.: Oakton (Fairfax) 8.54
No. Dist., Cong.: Mill Creek, $2; Newport (Mt. Zion) $23.31; Linville Creek, $6.60; Mt. Zion, $5; Flat Rock, $379.14; L. C. Huffman (Linville Creek) $3; S. S.: Valley Pike (Woodstock) $20.13; Organized Class (Mill Creek) $5, ... 444.18
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Forest Chapel, $27.75; Sangerville, $33; Middle River, $4; Geo. R. Robertson (Chimney Run) $5; Marie T. Cox (Bridgewater) $3; S. S.: Bridgewater, $12.35, ... 85.10
So. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Sarah Cornish (Fraternity) $2; Indv.: Sarah J. Hylton, $3, ... 5.00

Washington—$20.00
Cong.: Whitestone, ... 20.00

West Virginia—$25.75
First Dist., Cong.: C. W. Martin & Family Knobley) $2.75; R. B. Leatherman (Knobley) $5, ...
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Bethany, $2; Pleasant Hill, $1; J. F. DeMoss (Bethany) $5; Mrs. Dove Nivola (Shiloh) $5; Indv.: Lizzie Williams, $5, ... 7.75

Wisconsin—$1.00
S. S.: Maple Grove, ... 1.00

Total for the month, ... $ 8,075.22
Total previously reported, ... 11,379.05
$19,454.27
Correction No. 12, ... 416.62
Correction No. 14, ... 10.00
Correction No. 15, ... 5.00
Total for the year, ... $19,022.65

STUDENT FELLOWSHIP FUND 1926-27

Kansas—$220.46
S. W. Dist., McPherson College Deputation, $ 220.46

Pennsylvania—$106.99
Mid. Dist., Student Volunteer Band of Juniata College, ... 106.99

Virginia—$268.76
First Dist., Daleville Academy B. Y. P. D. 195.26
Sec. Dist., Student Volunteers of Bridgewater College, ... 73.50

Total for the month, ... $ 596.21
Total previously reported, ... 884.18
Total for the year, ... $ 1,480.39

AID SOCIETY FOREIGN MISSION FUND

Kansas—$147.50
N. E. Dist., Aid Societies, ... $ 147.50

Indiana—$373.50
No. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 300.00
So. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 73.50

Maryland—$25.00
E. Dist., Aid Soc.: Myersville (Upper Middletown Valley), ... 25.00

Virginia—$90.00
So. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 90.00

Total for the month, ... $ 636.00
Total previously reported, ... 2,154.12
Total for the year, ... $ 2,790.12

HOME MISSIONS

Ohio—$20.00
So. Dist., Cong.: S. Z. Smith & Wife (Sidney) $6; Dunker Club of Ohio State University, $14, ... $ 20.00

Oregon—$1.00
Indv.: E. R. Wimer, ... 1.00

Pennsylvania—$6.00
E. Dist., Cong.: Lancaster, ... 5.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Mary Bixler (York), ... 1.00

West Virginia—$1.00
Sec. Dist., Indv.: Gertrude Brown, ... $ 1.00

Total for the month,, ... $ 28.00
Total previously reported, ... 131.27
Total for the year, ... $ 159.27

FOREIGN MISSIONS

California—$170.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Glendora, ... $ 170.00

Ohio—$10.82
So. Dist., Cong.: S. Z. Smith & Wife (Sidney) $6; S. S.: Middletown, $4.82, ... 10.82

Oklahoma—$50.00
Cong.: Isaac Williams (Paradise Prairie) .. 50.00

Pennsylvania—$555.71
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Ardenheim, ... 101.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Harmonyville, $54.35; 1st Philadelphia, $98.50; S. S.: 1st Philadelphia, $151.86; Aid Soc.: First Philadelphia, $50, ... 354.71
W. Dist., Cong.: Uniontown (Georges Creek), ... 100.00

West Virginia—$1.00
Sec. Dist., Indv.: Gertrude Brown, ... 1.00

Total for the month, ... $ 787.53
Total previously reported, ... 1,030.41
Total for the year, ... $ 1,817.94

GREENE COUNTY, VIRGINIA, MISSION

Idaho—$2.50
S. S.: Junior Class—Winchester, ... $ 2.50
Maryland—$10.00
E. Dist., S. S.: Home Dept.—Fulton Ave. Balt., ... 10.00
Virginia—$98.78
E. Dist., Cong.: Manassas, $33.42; District Mission Board, $65.36, ... 98.78

Total for the month, ... $ 111.28
Total previously reported, ... 53.83

Total for the year, ... $ 165.11

JUNIOR LEAGUE—1926

Illinois—$1.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Violet Brenton (LaMotte Prairie) $.75; "No Name" (LaMotte Prairie) $.25, ... 1.00
Maryland—$10.00
E. Dist., S. S.: Primary Dept. (Fulton Ave. Balt.), ... 10.00
Pennsylvania—$67.89
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Junior Dept.—First Phila, ... 11.75
W. Dist., S. S.: Children of Meyersdale, 56.14
Wisconsin—$5.00
S. S.: Children of Worden, ... 5.00

Total for the month, ... $ 83.89
Total previously reported, ... 702.21

Total for the year, ... $ 786.10

JUNIOR LEAGUE—1927

Nebraska—$15.20
S. S.: Octavia, ... $ 15.20
Ohio—$12.50
N. E. Dist., C. W. S.: Intermediate—Akron, 12.50

Total for the month, ... $ 27.70
Total previously reported, ... 13.25

Total for the year, ... $ 40.95

B. Y. P. D. 1927-1928

California—$15.05
No. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Chico, ... $ 15.05
Florida—$4.00
Cong.: Individual (Arcadia) 4.00
Colorado—$35.00
E. Dist., Cong.: Chressie Heckman (Colo. Springs) $10; B. Y. P. D.: Rocky Ford, $25, 35.00
Indiana—$6.00
No. Dist., Y. P. D.: No. Liberty, ... 6.00
Oregon—$6.85
B. Y. P. D.: Myrtle Point, ... 6.85
Pennsylvania—$37.00
Mid. Dist., Y. P. D.: Curryville (Woodbury) $12; Lewistown, $25, ... 37.00
Virginia—$26.42
First Dist., Y. P. D.: Pleasant View, ... 19.00
Sec. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Branch (Sangerville), ... 7.42

Total for the month, ... $ 130.32
Total previously reported, ... 206.00

Total for the year, ... $ 336.32

INDIA MISSION

California—$3.00
So. Dist., Cong.: A Sister (Pomona), ... $ 3.00
Florida—$15.00
Cong.: Seneca (for Baby Home), ... 15.00
Maryland—$10.00
E. Dist., Cong.: Fulton Ave. Balt., ... 10.00
Oregon—$2.50
Indv.: E. R. Wimer, ... 2.50
Pennsylvania—$66.40
Mid. Dist., Cong.: No. 98263 (Lewistown) $5; S. S.: Ada White's Class (Lewistown) $5, 10.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: 1st Brooklyn, ... 25.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Rummel, $15; Mt. Joy, $16.40, ... 31.40

Total for the month, ... $ 96.90
Total previously reported, ... 398.54

Total for the year, ... $ 495.44

INDIA NATIVE WORKER

Florida—$10.00
Indv.: J. E. Young, ... $ 10.00

Total for the month, ... $ 10.00
Total previously reported, ... 250.00

Total for the year, ... $ 260.00

INDIA BOARDING SCHOOL

Iowa—$5.00
So. Dist., S. S.: So. Keokuk, ... $ 5.00
Ohio—$20.00
So. Dist., Cong.: W. S. Ullery & Wife (W. Milton), ... 20.00
Pennsylvania—$73.25
E. Dist., S. S.: Midway, $12; Aid Soc.: W. Green Tree, $26.25, ... 38.25
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Huntingdon, ... 35.00

Total for the month, ... $ 98.25
Total previously reported, ... 192.80

Total for the year, ... $ 291.05

INDIA SHARE PLAN

California—$31.25
No. Dist., S. S.: Young People's Class—Modesto, ... $ 6.25
So. Dist., S. S.: "Dorcas Bible Class"—Calvary, ... 25.00
Indiana—$62.50
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Pipe Creek, ... 50.00
No. Dist., S. S.: "Ever Ready" Class—Turkey Creek, ... 12.50
Maryland—$50.00
E. Dist., S. S.: Fulton Ave. Balt., ... 50.00
Ohio—$50.00
N. E. Dist., S. S. & C. W. S.: Canton City, ... 50.00
Pennsylvania—$190.00
E. Dist., Cong.: Leah Heisey Gettel (Richland) $25; S. S.: "Ever Faithful Bible Class" Skippack (Mingo) $25, ... 50.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Curryville (Woodbury) 50.00
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Junior Dept.—First Phila. 15.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Shippensburg, ... 75.00
Tennessee—$25.00
S. S.: 4th Ladies' Class (Mountain Valley) 25.00

Total for the month, ... $ 408.75
Total previously reported, ... 1,272.00

$ 1,680.75
Correction No. 13, ... 200.00

Total for the year, ... $ 1,880.75

McCANN MEMORIAL CHURCH FUND

Iowa—$34.19
No. Dist., Cong.: Sheldon, $25.19; J. E. Ralston (Sheldon) $9, ... $ 34.19

Total for the month, ... $ 34.19
Total previously reported, ... 23.80

Total for the year, ... $ 57.99

VYARA CHURCH BUILDING FUND

Pennsylvania—$100.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Tyrone, ... $ 100.00

Total for the month, ... $ 100.00
Total previously reported, ... 148.09

Total for the year, ... $ 248.09

CHINA MISSION

Maryland—$15.00
E. Dist., Cong.: Fulton Ave. Balt., ... $ 15.00
Missouri—$4.00
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Katie A. Lohman

(Smith Fork), ... 4.00
Ohio—$500.00
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Freeburg, ... 500.00
Oregon—$2.50
Indv.: E. R. Wimer, ... 2.50
Pennsylvania—$5.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: No. 98263 (Lewistown) 5.00

Total for the month, ...$ 526.50
Total previously reported, ... 546.75

Total for the year, ...$ 1,073.25

CHINA NATIVE WORKER

California—$15.00
No. Dist., Cong.: No. 98429 (Empire) ....$ 15.00
Indiana—$1.54
So. Dist., S. S.: Middletown, ... 1.54

Total for the month, ...$ 16.54
Total previously reported, ... 55.40

Total for the year, ...$ 71.94

CHINA BOYS' SCHOOL

Colorado—$1.03
E. Dist., Cong.: Rocky Ford, ...$ 1.03

Total for the month, ...$ 1.03
Total previously reported, ... 22.00

Total for the year, ...$ 23.03

CHINA GIRLS' SCHOOL

Colorado—$1.03
E. Dist., Cong.: Rocky Ford, ...$ 1.03

Total for the month, ...$ 1.03
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ...$ 1.03

CHINA SHARE PLAN

Arizona—$4.00
S. S.: "Workers & Standard Bearers" Classes (Glendale), ...$ 4.00
California—$6.25
No. Dist., S. S.: "Truth Seekers" Class —McFarland, ... 6.25
Colorado—$12.50
E. Dist., C. W. S.: Miami, ... 12.50
Pennsylvania—$100.00
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Young People's Soc. (Germantown-Philadelphia), ... 100.00

Total for the month, ...$ 122.75
Total previously reported, ... 721.13

Total for the year, ...$ 843.88

SWEDEN MISSION

California—$5.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Addie & Lizzie Rohrer (Covina), ...$ 5.00

Total for the month, ...$ 5.00
Total previously reported, ... 13.95

Total for the year, ...$ 18.95

DENMARK MISSION

California—$5.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Addie & Lizzie Rohrer (Covina), ...$ 5.00

Total for the month, ...$ 5.00
Total previously reported, ... 3.95

Total for the year, ...$ 8.95

AFRICA MISSION

California—$22.00
No. Dist., S. S.: Young People's Class (Modesto), ...$ 22.00
Indiana—$141.18
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Flora, $84.18; S. S.: "Helping Hand" Class (Eel River) $20, ... 104.18
No. Dist., S. S.: Mrs. Emma Weaver's Primary Class (Middlebury) $12; "Friendship Bible Class (1st So. Bend) $25, ... 37.00
Oregon—$2.00
Indv.: E. R. Wimer, ... 2.00
Minnesota—$5.00
S. S.: Two Junior Classes (Root River), 5.00
North Dakota—$9.50
S. S.: Primary Dept. (Zion-Cando), ... 9.50
Pennsylvania—$565.92
E. Dist., Cong.: Lebanon, ... 6.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: John R. Snyder & Wife (Huntingdon) $5; No. 98263 (Lewistown) $10; Frank M. Russell (Clover Creek) $25; S. S.: Ida Fisher's Class (Lewistown) $10; Flo Spanogle's Class (Lewistown) $8; C. W. S.: Junior—Lewistown) $10; Indv.: M. H. Brumbaugh, $15, ... 83.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Wilmington, $50; 1st Brooklyn, $25; First Philadelphia (for Ruth Kulp Mem. Hosp.) $125; S. S.: Primary Dept. (First Phila.) $10; Junior Dept. (First Phila.) $2.77; Sunday School Board, $250, ... 462.77
W. Dist., Cong.: Ten Mile, $1; S. S.: Purchase Line (Manor) $13.15, ... 14.15
Tennessee—$16.00
Cong.: W. H. Wine & Wife (Mountain Valley), ... 16.00

Total for the month, ...$ 761.60
Total previously reported, ... 819.64

Total for the year, ...$ 1,581.24

AFRICA SHARE PLAN

California—$25.00
No. Dist., C. W. S.: Oakland, ...$ 25.00
Pennsylvania—$100.00
S. E. Dist., Young People's Soc.: Germantown (Philadelphia), ... 100.00

Total for the month, ...$ 125.00
Total previously reported, ... 191.70

Total for the year, ...$ 316.70

NEAR EAST RELIEF

Illinois—$15.00
So. Dist., S. S.: So. Fulton (Astoria), ..$ 15.00
Pennsylvania—$27.08
E. Dist., S. S.: Spring Creek, $2.08; "Willing Workers" Class (Midway) $5; "Character Builders" Class (Midway) $10; Hannah Binners' Class (Midway) $5; Elizabeth Martins's Class (Midway) $5, ... 27.08
Virginia—$6.59
Sec. Dist., S. S.: Barren Ridge, ... 6.59

Total for the month, ...$ 48.67
Total previously reported, ... 392.22

Total for the year, ...$ 440.89

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY FLOOD RELIEF

Indiana—$24.15
So. Dist., Aid Soc. Institute, ...$ 24.15
Iowa—$11.00
So. Dist., Cong.: No. English, ... 11.00
Ohio—$17.00
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Baltic, ... 17.00
Pennsylvania—$6.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Ten Mile, ... 6.00
Virginia—$5.00
Sec. Dist., S. S.: Mothers' Class (Pleasant Valley), ... 5.00

Total for the month, ...$ 63.15
Total previously reported, ... 517.68

Total for the year, ...$ 580.83

CONFERENCE BUDGET

Africa—$218.80
Africa Church, ...$ 218.80
Arizona—$85.87
Cong.: Phoenix, ... 85.87
California—$2,338.06
No. Dist., Cong.: Oakland, $87.03; Empire, $45.66; Modesto, $42.45; McFarland, $106.71; Patterson, $17.40; Laton, $42.85; Fresno, $95.75; Chico, $28.40; Unknown donor (Empire) $1;

Aid Soc.: Fresno, $10, ... 477.25
So. Dist., Cong.: Inglewood, $96; First Los Angeles, $424.90; Pasadena, $762.42; Hermosa Beach, $85.05; Sam Bernardino, $37.26; Belvedere, $75; Hemet, $37.47; Long Beach, $232.71; Pomona, $100; Indv.: Miss M. Grace Miller, $10, ... 1,860.81

Canada—$108.15
Cong.: Bow Valley, $49.80; Merrington, $8.36; G. C. Long & Wife (Sec. Irricana), .. 108.15

Colorado—$339.08
E. Dist., Cong.: Rocky Ford, $188.68; Colo. Springs, $22; Denver, $37; Miami, $20; Francis Patterson (Sterling) $5; Chas. Ullery & Wife (Sterling) $20; S. J. Heckman & Wife (Colo. Springs) $20, ... 312.68
W. Dist., Cong.: Fruita, ... 26.40

Florida—$264.28
Cong.: Lakeland, $14.68; Sebring, $197; Clay Co., $34; Seneca, $18.60, ... 264.28

Illinois—$1,854.33
No. Dist., Cong.: Hickory Grove, $29.89; Cherry Grove, $17; Dixon, $53.54; Mt. Morris, $208; Milledgeville, $123.01; Naperville, $117.62; Lanark, $300; Elgin, $189; West Branch, $75.17; Waddams Grove, $54.05; Shannon, $24.15; Batavia, $28.75; Rock Creek, $2.50; Freeport, $45.38; Pine Creek, $32.35; Aid Soc.: Hickory Grove, $5, ... 1,305.41
So. Dist., Cong.: Okaw, $5; LaMotte Prairie, $43.35; Decatur, $23.50; Oakley, $87; Woodland, $60.10; Astoria, $150.25; Springfield, $16.12; Romine, $13.67; Canton, $13.42; Panther Creek, $8.75; Girard, $104.77; Oak Grove, $10.42; Allison Prairie, $11.57; Jno. Angle (Pleasant Grove) $1, ... 548.92

Indiana—$8,149.92
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Manchester, $1,405; So. Whitley, $39.91; Monticello, $61.50; Roann, $30.55; Huntington, $100; Andrews, $60.79; W. Manchester, $156; Pipe Creek, $54; Mexico, $257.38; Walton, $25.86; W. Eel, River $43.70; Santa Fe, $23.30; Peru, $35; Cart Creek, $35.40; Markle, $21.42; Pleasant Dale, $43.03; Bachelors Run, $121; Spring Creek, $100; Landess, $10.72; Sugar Creek, $10; Ogans Creek, $26.16; Portland, $26; Wabash City, $71.77; Clear Creek, $172.51; Lower Deer Creek, $33; Flora, $240.27; S. S.: Hickory Grove, $106.83; Eel River, $96.06, ... 3,407.16
No. Dist., Cong.: Wakarusa, $105; Mt. Pleasant, $147.22; Walnut, $33.51; Turkey Creek, $30; Elkhart City, $156.04; Pleasant View Chapel, $12; Pine Creek, $8.03; Pleasant Chapel, $33.33; Pleasant Valley, $87.40; W. Goshen, $217.21; Syracuse, $20; Bethany, $175.62; Baugo, $70.62; Auburn, $6.10; New Paris, $140; Elkhart Valley, $55; Center, $121.44; Middlebury, $284.50; Rock Run, $1; LaPorte, $1; Goshen City, $500; New Salem, $80; Bethel, $112.13; No. Winona, $71.71; English Prairie, $35; Blue River, $4; Plymouth, $105; First So. Bend, $725; Cedar Lake, $32.77; Oak Grove, $22.70; Cedar Creek, $18.33; Bremen, $93.29; Nappanee, $125.47; Blissville, $11.25; Sec. So. Bend, $43.50; A member (Elkhart City) $2, ... 3,687.17
So. Dist., Cong.: Upper Fall Creek, $11.26; Nettle Creek, $116.03; Arcadia, $40; Summitville, $2.15; Four Mile, $215.10; Mississinewa, $70; Anderson, $127.16; Indianapolis, $110.04; Howard, $30; Muncie, $203.58; Beach Grove, $8; White, $15.10; Pyrmont, $80.50; S. S.: Mt. Pleasant, $6.40; Kokomo, $5.27; Aid Soc.: Brick (Nettle Creek) $10; White Branch (Nettle Creek) $5, ... 1,055.59

Iowa—$1,587.64
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Prairie City, $50; Bagley, $5; Cedar, $75.20; Garrison, $15.42; Panther Creek, $175; Des Moines, Valley, $115; Cedar Rapids, $200.45; Mrs. E. O. Slater (Indian Creek) $2, ... 638.07
No. Dist., Cong.: Franklin Co., $45.50; Spring Creek, $14.59; Kingsley, $150; So. Waterloo, $141.59; Slifer, $21.75; Ivester, $124.08; M. S. Grossnickle (Curlew) $25; Mrs. Dora Mills (Curlew) $2; David & Sarah Brallier (Curlew) $12, ... 536.51
So. Dist., Cong.: So. Keokuk, $71.70; Salem, $96.36; Ottumwa, $20; English River, $225, .. 413.06

Kansas—$1,422.65
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Topeka, $45; Appanoose, $46.56; Lawrence, $20; Ottawa, $49.39; Ozawkie, $12; Morrill, $200; 1st Central Kans. City, $40; Sabetha, $140; Abilene City, $123; Shuss Family (Sabetha) $20, ... 695.95
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Maple Grove, $3; White Rock, $4.20; No. Solomon, $4, ... 11.20
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Osage, $30; Galesburg, $26; Paint Creek, $6.51; Mont Ida, $18.65; J. J. McKinzie & Wife (Hollow) $5; Orpha Loshbaugh (Hollow) $5; O. E. Loshbaugh & Wife (Hollow) $15; Mrs. Ed. Sell (Fredonia) $10, ... 116.17
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Monitor, $102.03; McPherson, $344.88; Pleasant View, $33.65; Eden Valley, $35; Salem Community, $56.77; Conway Springs, $25; Walnut Valley, $2, ... 599.33

Louisiana—$58.45
Cong.: Roanoke, ... 58.45

Maryland—$3,316.04
E. Dist., Cong.: Monocacy, $72; Bethany, $80; Locust Grove, $20.50; Thurmont, $2; Green Hill, $30; Piney Creek, $33; Long Green Valley, $122; Edgewood (Sams Creek) $44.91; Sams Creek, $44.90; Meadow Branch, $243.54; Beaver Dam, $54; Washington City, $244.80; Frederick, $125; Denton, $208.73; Pipe Creek, $360; New Windsor (Pipe Creek) $50; Ezra Weimer, (University Park-Bush Creek) $10; S. S.: Woodberry (Balt.) $392; Blue Ridge College (Pipe Creek) $5.22; Aid Soc.: Washington City, $5.20, ... 2,147.80
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Glendale, $7; Longmeadow, $105; Brownsville, $170; Welsh Run, $40; Manor, $66.17; Beaver Creek, $77.80; Pleasant View, $654, ... 1,120.06
W. Dist., Cong.: Maple Grove, $8.18; Bear Creek, $30; Aid Soc.: Accident, $10, ... 48.18

Michigan—$416.77
Cong.: Shepherd, $60; Battle Creek, $31.55; Marilla, $1.25; Lansing, $4.25; Vestaburg, $4.04; Crystal, $5.20; Durand (Elsie) $15; Midland, $10; Woodland, $50; Grand Rapids, $10; Sugar Ridge, $13.50; Woodland County, $119; Thornapple, $17; S. S.: New Haven, $9.81; Rodney, $5.17; Onekama, $22.50; J. J. Scrogum (Hart) $25; S. S.: Lake View, $13.50, .. 416.77

Minnesota—$238.90
Cong.: Winona, $4.55; Nemadji, $6.35; Lewiston, $16.70; Minneapolis, $97; Root River, $95; Bethel, $3.20; Monticello, $16.10, ... 238.90

Missouri—$567.94
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Turkey Creek, $21; Happy Hill, $7.12; First Kans. City, $60; So. Warrensburg, $3.50; Mineral Creek, $10, ... 101.62
No. Dist., Cong.: Shelby Co., $30; Honey Creek, $14; Pleasant View, $24.60; So. St. Joseph, $18.19; No. Bethel, $48.11; Rockingham, $4.65; Smith Fork, $167; Oscar Early (Rockingham) $10; Mrs. S. B. Shirky (Rockingham) $5; S. S.: Rockingham, $4.52; Aid Soc.: So. St. Joseph, $5, ... 331.07
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Broadwater, ... 20.00
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Cabool, $33.30; Carthage, $13.75; Fairview, $21; Shoal Creek, $12.20; A. Killingsworth (Oak Grove) $1; Sam Beeghly (Oak Grove) $4; Aid Soc.: Mountain Grove (Cabool) $5; Indv.: Clara Miller, $25, ... 115.25

Montana—$12.56
E. Dist., Cong.: Grandview, ... 12.56

Nebraska—$129.05
Cong.: So. Beatrice, $85.05; Beatrice, $22; Bethel, $15; H. J. Miller (Alvo) $2; A Helper (Silver Lake) $5, ... 129.05

North Dakota—$187.94
Cong.: Carrington, $9.40; Kenmare, $20.08; Zion (Cando) $38.64; Brumbaugh, $25.75; Willow Grove, $11.32; Surrey, $25; Ellison, $57.75, ... 187.94

Ohio—$6,876.96
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Ashland Dickey, $232.50; Danville, $204.55; E. Chippewa, $199.50; Black River, $180; Goshen, $30.40; E. Nimishillen, $61; Alliance, $29.50; Maple Grove, $317.42; Reading, $82; Olivet, $5; W. Nimishillen, $29; Kent, $25.13; New Philadelphia, $32.10; Richland, $65; Baltic, $124.05; Canton,

$121.91; Akron, $428.81; Chippewa, $57.45; Springfield, $80.52; Ashland City, $118.93; Canton Center, $84; S. S.: No. Bend (Danville) $65.71; E. Chippewa, $11.29; Springfield, $67.93; Aid Soc.: Black River, $25, .. 2,678.70

N. W. Dist., Cong.: Lima, $225; Poplar Ridge, $114.45; Bellefontaine, $11.48; Logan, $132.62; Hickory Grove (Silver Creek) $52.80; Fostoria, $90.65; Defiance, $53.90; Pleasant View, $305; First Toledo, $80; Marion, $9; Eden, $36; Portage, $1.70; Greensprings, $70.64, 1,183.24

So. Dist., Cong.: Poplar Grove, $80; Harris Creek, $199.83; Bear Creek, $179.30; Beech Grove, $50; Lower Stillwater, $65; New Carlisle, $285.31; Brookville, $101.75; Price's Creek, $62.88; Middle District, $95.53; Pleasant Hill, $100; Sidney, $44.50; Beaver Creek, $69.70; E. Dayton, $5; Wheatville (Upper Twin) $26; Eaton (Upper Twin) $16; Gratis (Upper Twin) $17.58; Union City, $61; Lower Miami, $86; Piqua, $20; Ft. McKinley, $183.46; Oakland, $226.50; Greenville, $72.17; Castine, $114; Springfield, $59.60; W. Charleston, $86.31; Georgetown, $100; Donnells Creek, $150.35; Ludlow, $195; W. Alexandria, $93; Painter Creek, $10; Cedar Grove (Prices Creek) $40; E. Dayton, $77.25; Bradford, $27; A. J. Matthews & Wife (Troy) $4; Aid Soc.: Middle District, $10; Indv.: J. J. Sollenberger, $1, ... 3,015.02

Oklahoma—$73.00

Cong.: Thomas, $60; Bethel, $10; L. M. Dodd & Wife (Guthrie) $2; Indv.: Bertha Ryan Shirk, $1, ... 73.00

Oregon—$40.52

Cong.: Newberg, $4.71; Myrtle Point, $20.81; Mabel, $15, ... 40.52

Pennsylvania—$17,338.06

E. Dist., Cong.: Maiden Creek, $166.74; Peterboro Mission (Lake Ridge) $7; Spring Creek, $3; White Oak, $167.56; Little Swatara, $278.85; Big Swatara, $130.24; Springville, $114; Spring Grove, $35; Shamokin, $21.75; Schuylkill, $35.48; Ridgely, $50; Reading, $33.96; E. Petersburg, $170.50; Myerstown, $200; Mountville, $132.61; Mingo, $137; Midway, $266; Mechanic Grove, $133.22; Lititz, $253.87; Lancaster, $640.37; Ludlowville Mission (Lake Ridge) $5.62; Lake Ridge, $75; Heidleberg, $125; Hatfield, $90.33; Harrisburg, $135; W. Greentree, $162.60; Fredericksburg, $141.32; Fairview, East, $132.15; Ephrata, $1,225; Elizabethtown, $763.32; Conewago, $120; W. Conestoga, $125; Conestoga, $161.33; Chiques, $224; Annville, $178; Akron, $150; Palmyra, $484.35; Richland, $100; Carrie Dennis (Elizabethtown) $2; Vernie L. Ringgold (Ephrata) $4; No. 98051 (E. Fairview) $5; S. S.: Mary Eberly's Class (Ephrata) $8; "The Reapers" Class, Hanoverdale (Big Swatara) $10; Ladies' Bible Class, Hanoverdale (Big Swatara) $10; Kemper's (Spring Grove) $5.15; Reading, $41.28; Palmyra, $250; Mingo, $50; Harrisburg, $26; Rankstown, (Fredericksburg) $2.85; Fairview, East, $100; Chiques, $150; Aid Soc.: $50; Mingo, $10; C. W. S.: Palmyra, $50, ... 8,149.45

Mid. Dist., Cong.: New Enterprise, $237.34; Artemas, $10; Huntingdon, $460.65; Hollidaysburg, $77.67; Woodbury, $112; Clover Creek, $219.04; Claysburg, $5; Fairview, $30; Leamersville, $10; Raven Run, $10.25; Snake Spring, $67.51; Koontz, $41; Roaring Spring, $154.69; Juniata Park, $77.50; Spring Run, $112.92; Smithfield, $20; Dry Valley, $41.10; Yellow Creek, $22; Tyrone, $21.15; Burnham, $80; D. I. Pepple & Wife (Woodbury) $5; Nora S. Keller (Huntingdon) $25; J. M. Pittenger & Family (Huntingdon) $5; S. S.: Yellow Creek, $8; Juniata College (Huntingdon) $514.35; "Truth Seekers" Class (Roaring Spring) $20.31; Women's Missy Soc.: Tyrone, $12; Y. P. D.: Spring Run, $3.30, .. 2,402.78

S. E. Dist., Cong.: Germantown (Philadelphia) $250; Greenhill, $490; Bethany (Philadelphia) $200; Geiger Memorial, $2; Norristown, $75.30; Quakertown (Springfield) $33.82; Parker Ford, $100; Calvary, $75; Ambler, $44.23; 1st Brooklyn, $23; S. S.: Norristown, $19.06; Ladies' Bible Class (Green Tree) $10, 1,322.41

So. Dist., Cong.: Waynesboro, $1,013.54; Upper Conewago, $216.80; Shippensburg, $75; York, $361.38; Lower Cumberland, $45; Perry, $75.20; Mt. Olivet, $125; Pleasant Hill, $88.82; Marsh Creek, $67.69; Carlisle, $66; Codorus, $215; Ridge, $19; Upper Codorus, $122.80; Lower Conewago, $37; Back Creek, $162.30; Huntsdale, $185; Lost Creek, $95.58; Chambersburg, $29; Buffalo, $28; Newville, $60; Antietam, $182.80; Mrs. Solomon Bashore (Lost Creek) $3; S. S.: York, $73.35, ... 3,347.26

W. Dist., Cong.: Fairview (Georges Creek) $18.18; Conemaugh, $30.52; Windber, $108.43; County Line (Indian Creek) $15; Manor, $20; Walnut Grove (Johnstown) $5; Plum Creek, $33; Rummel, $5; Maple Grove (Johnstown) $15; Middle Creek, $9; Penn Run, $50.41; Locust Grove, $31; Roxbury, $500; Connellsville, $20; Meyersdale, $125; Mt. Joy, $190.25; Westmont, $50; Salisbury, $60.43; Shade Creek, $66.38; Ligonier, $70; Glade Run, $23.50; Geiger, $117.25; Elizabeth Carroll (Connellsville) $35; Ten Mile, $9.74; Johnstown, $451.91; Bro. & Sister Jacoby (Plum Creek) $20; S. S.: Locust Grove, $8; S. S.: O. F. Home Class (Scalp Level) $3.16; Aid Soc.: Roxbury, $25, 2,116.16

South Dakota—$24.20

Cong.: Willow Creek, ... 24.20

Tennessee—$74.98

Cong.: Mountain Valley, $8; White Horn, $3,25; Sweetwater Valley, $35; Pleasant Hill, $6; Knob Creek, $7.50; Johnson City, $9.23; Indv.: Mrs. M. M. Fine, $6, ... 74.98

Texas—$62.14

Cong.: Manvel, $51.14; S. S.: Nocona, $10; Indv.: Mrs. T. W. Range, $1, ... 62.14

Virginia—$3,740.75

E. Dist., Cong.: Madison, $10; Manassas, $20.86; Belmont, $8; Trevilians, $14.18; Midland, $18.23; Nokesville, $52; Valley, $38.05; Mt. Carmel, $26; Martha C. Sanger (Richmond) $2; Aid Soc.: Valley, $19, ... 208.32

First Dist., Cong.: Cloverdale, $400; 9th St. Roanoke, $76; Peters Creek, $127.66; Pleasant View, $38.50; Smiths Chapel, $17; Oak Grove, $20; Tinker Creek, $15; First Roanoke, $306.87; Central Roanoke, $100; Daleville, $41.90; Mt. Joy, $7.50; Poages Mill, $10; Congregations, $567.12; C. S. Ikenberry (Daleville) $5; Unknown donor (Daleville) $1; S. S.: 9th St. Roanoke, $7; Lynchburg, $8.40; Indv.: Mrs. Julia C. Nininger, $2, ... 1,750.95

No. Dist., Cong.: Upper Lost River, $12; Cook's Creek, $188.56; Harrisonburg, $92.15; Rileyville, $10; Pleasant View, $10; Unity, $140.80; Timberville, $216.99; Mill Creek, $215.17; Greenmount, $47; Linville Creek, $130.40; S. S.: Salem, $8; Aid Soc.: Timberville, $36.25, ... 1,107.32

Sec. Dist., Cong.: Mt. Bethel (Beaver Creek) $5.45; Mt. Vernon, $28; Summit, $275.60; Laurel Gap Mission, $25; Hiner Mission, $3; Barren Ridge, $10; Pleasant Valley, $5; Staunton, $7; Waynesboro, $15; Beaver Creek, $72.16; Moscow, $28.56; Smith Creek, $12; Pleasant Valley, $20; Mrs. J. D. Miller (Bridgewater) $14; No. 98234 (Pleasant Hill-Middle River) $5; Aid Soc.: Sangerville, $25; Moscow, $7.50, ... 558.27

So. Dist., Cong.: Antioch, $41.37; Spray, $13.37; Christiansburg, $14.15; Germantown, $22; Red Oak Grove, $25, ... 115.89

Washington—$481.34

Cong.: No. Spokane, $12.80; Yakima, $260.52; Sunnyside, $48.50; Tacoma, $6; Wenatchee Valley, $70.78; Seattle, $21; A Sister (Wenatchee) $5; No. 98459 (Wenatchee Valley) $25; S. S.: Wenatchee Park, $4.50; C. W. & S. S. Convention held at Olympia, $27.24, .. 481.34

West Virginia—$239.56

First Dist., Cong.: Harman, $93.72; Tearcoat, $54.24; Brookside (Eglon) $9.85; Keyser, $45.75; Geo. T. & K. E. Leatherman (White Pine) $10; Elsie C. Spaid (Tearcoat) $3; .. 216.56

Sec. Dist., Cong.: Valley River, $9; Aid Soc.: Valley River, $10; Indv.: Jesse Judy, $4, ... 23.00

Wisconsin—$43.00

Cong.: White Rapids, $35; Stanley, $8, .. 43.00

Loose in Hat Offering, Hershey Conference, 2041.44

Total for the month, ...$52,332.38
Total previously reported, ... 3,976.18

Total for the year, ...$56,308.56

CONFERENCE BUDGET DESIGNATED

Colorado—$5.93
E. Dist., S. S.: Rocky Ford, ...$ 5.93

Maryland—$23.00
E. Dist., S. S.: Long Green Valley, ... 23.00

North Dakota—$2.81
S. S.: Brumbaugh, ... 2.81

Pennsylvania—$20.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Burnham, ... 20.00

Virginia—$5.00
First Dist., S. S.: Oak Grove, ... 5.00

Total for the month, ...$ 56.74
Total previously reported, ... 3.58

Total for the year, ...$ 60.32

MARCH WORLD SERVICE 1927-1928

Pennsylvania—$25.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Arnold H. Francis (Greentree), ...$ 25.00

Total for the month, ...$ 25.00
Total previously reported, ... 1,235.00

Total for the year, ...$ 1,260.00

MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

California—$972.00
No. Dist., Lindsay Cong. for Dr. Ida Metzger, ...$ 20.00
So. Dist., La Verne Cong. for E. D. Vaniman & Wife and L. A. Blickenstaff & Wife, $577; Isaiah Breneman (La Verne) for John I. Kaylor, $275; Mothers' Class, La Verne, for Stephen Clarie Blickenstaff, $100, ... 952.00

Colorado—$28.23
E. Dist., Wiley Cong. for Anna N. Crumpacker, $14.50; Rocky Ford S. S. for Mrs. F. H. Crumpacker, $13.73, ... 28.23

Idaho—$197.12
Payette Cong. for Anetta C. Mow, $7.75, for Dr. D. L. Horning, $7.75; Congregations for Anetta C. Mow, $100.34; for Dr. D. L. Horning, $81.28, ... 197.12

Illinois—$63.72
No. Dist., Franklin Grove S. S. for Bertha Butterbaugh, ... 7.72
So. Dist., Centennial (Okaw) Cong. for J. E. Wagoner, ... 56.00

Indiana—$548.24
So. Dist., Buck Creek Cong. for Nettie B. Summer, $258.75; Rossville Cong. for Minerva Metzger, $289.49, ... 548.24

Iowa—$400.00
Mid. Dist., Panther Creek S. S. for Olivia D. Ikenberry, ... 125.00
No. Dist., Waterloo City (So. Waterloo) Cong. for Mary Shull, ... 275.00

Kansas—$103.00
S. E. Dist., For Emma H. Eby, Osage S. S., $10; Osage Cong., $60; "Willing Workers" Class, Independence, $30; Parsons S. S., $3, ... 103.00

Maryland—$1,150.00
E. Dist., Fulton Ave. Balt. S. S. for Ethel A. Roop, $50; Morning Star Bible Class (First Balt.) for Ina M. Kaylor, $100, ... 150.00
Mid. Dist., Hagerstown Cong. for Harlan Brooks & Wife, ... 1,000.00

Michigan—$96.44
No. 98646 for Ethel A. Roop, $75; Sunday Schools for Pearl Bowman, $21.44, ... 96.44

Missouri—$46.54
Mid. Dist., Congregations for Jennie Mohler, ... 46.54

Ohio—$2,145.98
N. E. Dist., Hartville Cong. for Anna Brumbaugh, $290; Olivet Aid Soc. for Esther Mae Helser, $41.25; Owl Creek Cong. for Lola Helser, $18.20; E. Nimishillen S. S. $50 and Cleveland Cong. $157.50 for Goldie Swartz, .. 556.95
N. W. Dist., J. J. Anglemyer's Y. P. Class (Eagle Creek) for Julia A. Flohr, $62.50; Eagle Creek S. S. for Lewis B. Flohr, $62.50, ... 125.00
So. Dist., For Minnie Bright, Mothers' Class, Bethel S. S. (Salem) $17.40; Bethel S. S. (Salem) $94.90, Salem Cong. $311.73; Eversole Cong. for J. Homer Bright, $50; Trotwood Cong. for Elizabeth Oberholtzer, $450; Covington Cong. for I. W. Moomaw, $530, ... 1,464.03

Pennsylvania—$3,457.52
E. Dist., Peach Blossom Cong. for Anna Hutchison, $37; Spring Creek Cong. for Eliza S. Miller, $527.17; Indian Creek Cong. for Sara Shisler, $300; Richland Cong. for B. Mary Royer, $500; Palmyra Cong. for D. L. Forney, $550, ... 1,914.17
Mid. Dist., Albright Cong. & S. S. for Olivia D. Ikenberry, $20; Everett Cong. for Dr. Carl Coffman, $173.45, ... 193.45
S. E. Dist., Coventry Cong. for H. Stover Kulp, $250; Green Tree Cong. for Nora Hollenberg, $125, ... 375.00
W. Dist., 7th Circuit S. S. for Marie Brubaker, $45; Greensburg Cong. $150, Pittsburgh Cong. $200 and A member of Pittsburgh, $1 for L. S. Brubaker; Quemahoning, $28.90 for Esther Beahm; Johnstown Cong. $550 for Samuel Bowman, ... 974.90

Tennessee—$7.50
Boons Creek S. S. for Anna B. Seese, ... 7.50

Virginia—$949.16
E. Dist., Fairfax Cong. for M. M. Myers, 46.17
No. Dist., Greenmount Cong. for I. S. Long, $80; for Dr. F. J. Wampler, $20, ... 100.00
Sec. Dist., Bridgewater Cong. for Ella Flohr, $312; Rev. I. C. Senger (Elk Run) for Sara Z. Myers, $25; Elk Run Cong. for Sara Z. Myers, $61.45; Barren Ridge, $30.22 for Nora Flory, Bridgewater S. S. for N. A. Seese, $275; Middle River Cong. for B. M. Flory, $99.32, ... 802.99

West Virginia—$540.41
First Dist., Eglon Cong. for Anna B. Mow, $40.41; Sandy Creek Cong. for Mary Cline, $500, ... 540.41

Total for the month, ... $10,705.85
Total previously reported, ... 11,002.94

$21,708.80
Correction No. 12, ... 416.62
Correction No. 14, ... 10.00
Correction No. 15, ... 5.00

$22,140.42
Correction No. 13, ... 200.00

Total for the year, ...$21,940.42

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Church of the Brethren Industrial School, Geer, Va.

Bollinger, Amsey and Florence, 1922
Early, H. C., and Emma, 1925
Finckh, Elsie, 1925
Hersch, Orville and Mabel, 1925
Kline, Alvin, 1926
Wampler, Nelie, 1922

In Pastoral Service

Bowman, Price and Elsie, Bassett, Va., 1925
Fahnestock, Rev. and Mrs. S. G., 1059 Michigan Ave., Portland, Ore., 1927
Garber, Glenn, Essex, Mo., 1925
Haney, R. A. and Irva, Merrill, Md., 1925
Horner, W. J. and Hazel, 3122 Ellis Ave., Fort Worth, Texas
Scrogum, Arthur and Marie, Accident, Md., 1926
Showalter, R. K. and Florence, Rose Pine, La., 1926
White, Ralph and Matie, 1206 E. Holston Ave., Johnson City, Tenn., 1923

SWEDEN

Spanhusvagen 38, Malmö, Sweden

Graybill, J. F., and Alice, 1911
Buckingham, Ida, 1913

CHINA

Rocky Point, Peitaiho, China

Coffman, Dr. Carl, 1921, and Lulu, 1919
Crumpacker, F. H., 1908
Flory, Edna R., 1917
Metzger, Minerva, 1910
Seese, Norman A., and Anna, 1917
Schaeffer, Mary, 1917
Oberholtzer, I. E., and Eliz., 1916
Pollock, Myrtle, 1917
Senger, Nettie M., 1916
Shock, Laura J., 1916
Flory, Byron M., and Nora, 1917
Heisey, Walter J., and Sue, 1917
Neher, Minneva J., 1924
Ulery, Ruth F., 1926

On Furlough

Baker, Elizabeth, 506 Wayne Ave., Greenville, O., 1922
Bright, J. Homer and Minnie, Phillipsburg, O., 1911
Ikenberry, E. L., and Olivia, Quinter, Kans., 1922
Brubaker, L. S., and Marie, La Verne, Cal., 1924.
Clapper, V. Grace, Johnstown, Pa., R. 5, 1917
Cline, Mary E., 900 Franklin, Roaring Spring, Pa., 1920
Flory, Raymond and Lizzie, Shickley, Neb., 1914
Crumpacker, Anna, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, 1908
Horning, Dr. D. L., and Martha, 1136 Mich. Ave., Topeka, Kans., 1919
Horning, Emma, 730 Molino Ave., Long Beach, Cal., 1908
Hutchison, Anna, Easton, Md., 1911
Myers, Minor M., and Sara, Bridgewater, Va., 1919
Smith, W. Harlan and Frances, Eldora, Ia., 1920
Sollenberger, O. C., and Hazel, c|o J. W. Coppock, Tippecanoe City, Ohio, 1919
Vaniman, Ernest D., and Susie, La Verne, Calif., 1913
Wampler, Dr. Fred J., and Rebecca, Accomac, Va., 1913

AFRICA

Garkidda, Nigeria, West Africa, via Jos and Numan

Beahm, Wm. M., and Esther, 1924
Burke, Dr. Homer L., and Marguerite, 1923
Flohr, Earl W., and Ella, 1926
Gibbel, Dr. J. Paul, and Verda, 1926
Harper, Clara, 1926
Heckman, Clarence C., and Lucile, 1924
Helser, Albert D., 1922, and Lola, 1923
*Kulp, H. Stover, 1922, and Christina, 1927
‡Mallott, Floyd, 1924
Shisler, Sara, 1926

*At Dille. ‡At Gardemna.

On Furlough

Mallott, Ruth B., 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, 1924

INDIA

Ahwa, Dangs, India

Garner, H. P., and Kathryn, 1916

Anklesvar, Broach Dist., India

Grisso, Lillian, 1917
Long, I. S., and Effie, 1903
Moomaw, I. W., and Mabel, 1923
Shickel, Elsie, 1921
Woods, Beulah, 1924

Bulsar, Surat Dist., India

Blickenstaff, Lynn A., and Mary, 1920
Blickenstaff, Verna M., 1919
Brumbaugh, Anna B., 1919
Butterbaugh, A. G., and Bertha, 1919
Cottrell, Dr. A. R., and Laura, 1913
Miller, Arthur S. B., and Jennie, 1919
Mohler, Jennie, 1916
Roop, Ethel, 1926
Shumaker, Ida C., 1910

Dahanu Road, Thana Dist., India

Ebbert, Ella, 1917
Metzger, Dr. Ida, 1925
Nickey, Dr. Barbara M., 1915
Royer, B. Mary, 1913
Wolf, L. Mae, 1922

Jalalpor, Surat Dist., India

Miller, Eliza B., 1900

Vada, Thana Dist., India

Kaylor, John I., 1911 and Ina, 1921
Swartz, Goldie E., 1916

Palghar, Thana Dist., India

Alley, Howard L., and Hattie, 1917

Post Umalla, via Anklesvar, India

Lichty, D. J., 1902, and Anna, 1912
Widdowson, Olive, 1912
Ziegler, Kathryn, 1908

Vyara, via Surat Dist., India

Blough, J. M., and Anna, 1903
Brooks, Harlan J., and Ruth, 1924
Mow, Anetta, 1917

Burjor Bag, Lunsikui, Navsare, India

Mow, Baxter M., and Anna, 1923

On Furlough

Ebey, Adam, and Alice, North Manchester, Ind., 1900
Forney, D. L., and Anna, La Verne, Calif., 1897
Hollenberg, Fred M., and Nora, Sebring, Fla., 1919
Kintner, Elizabeth, Ney, Ohio, 1919
Miller, Sadie J., R. F. D., Waterloo, Ia., 1903
Shull, Chalmer and Mary, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
Summer, B. F. and Nettie, Mooreland, Ind., 1919
Wagoner, J. E., and Ellen, North Manchester, Ind., 1919

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The Taiyuan Congregation

No. 1, in front of man in back row with the big hat, is Pastor Li. He has been in charge of the Taiyuan church for a little over a year and is doing good work.

No. 2 is Mrs. Chang. Her husband, who died about eleven years ago, was an official in Taiyuan. She has now cast her all with the church and has charge of the women's evangelistic work.

No. 3 is Mr. Chang. His old home was in Pingting, where he lost both parents when a boy of fourteen. He went to Taiyuan, where he made his way through school. He was one of the first to enter the church in Taiyuan and has been a faithful worker ever since. He has charge of the work with boys.

The group is composed of the members of the Taiyuan church and some of their children. The leaders are earnest workers, and we believe that this group will grow into a real church. Bro. Kuo, No. 4, is one of the most devout Christians we have anywhere. He believes in living and telling others about his religion. A number of the young men are students from the Pingting or Liao schools, who are now for some reason in the capital. Some are in school there.

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The Missionary Character of Christianity

Editorial

WHAT a man believes doesn't matter!" Of all statements this is a most mischievous half-truth. What a man does in the long run is the outcome of the convictions that have come to master his living. **A man's actions, as Emerson puts it, "is only the picture book of his creed."**

Obviously there are petty subjects regarding which our attitude is of negligible significance. Whether our ham and eggs are fried upside down or fried nice and brown is of little consequence, but whether we eat eggs or have only egg shells is of more serious consequence.

Every advance in science is due to what some Pasteur believes. Every great movement to improve the condition of society is inspired by the belief in a worth-while destiny for man. When a man is convinced on the other hand that the universe is nothing but a soulless mechanism, that there is no personal Creator and Sustainer and no worth-while destiny for man, then his urge to moral struggle and unselfish service is dried at the source.

Most of us probably are beset with uncertain belief rather than disbelief. Difficulties in the way of literal acceptation of scripture may have weakened conviction all along the way. We believe in God, but do we believe in the kind of God that Jesus revealed?

Do we give ourselves in generous service to our fellows? Are we concerned for those who because of race, nationality, creed or economic status are in need of our fellowship? If not, we silently confess that we have no gripping belief in God as Jesus revealed him. **God is love.** Jesus believed it. His daily attitude toward his fellows proved it. Do you believe God is love? Do I? We may merely hold the intellectual concept that God is love, but he who really is inspired by the message and life of Jesus finds himself impelled by a gripping conviction that forces a proper expression in daily conduct.

The other day as I motored through Elgin, I invited two laboring men to ride. As I stopped for them to get in, I noticed they were Mexicans. Here was an opportunity to test myself. Was I really glad to sit with two Mexican laborers with soiled clothing? Men whom my fellows give the opprobrious title, "greaser"? I rejoiced that I found myself enjoying the sensation. I rejoiced because I believed that this much of the essence of true Christianity had found itself at home in my heart. I believed Jesus would have treated these men with kindly respect. In contrast to this missionary attitude is the instance of the African who, when called upon to help a drowning man,

stood unmoved on the bank and said, "He is not of my village."

If we accept God to be what Jesus taught, he is LOVE. Love impels us to service. The overtowering reason for the missionary work of Christianity is that Christianity has a missionary God.

Missionary work has too often been engaged in exclusively as taking salvation to those in foreign geographical areas. Now we believe missionaries must work in all areas of life; where economic arrangements rob any of God's children of their opportunity for abundant life, where discrimination is made against men of another color, and where men give cause for war.

Salvation has taken on an enlarged content. To be saved includes redemption **from a self-centered life** to a **personality radiating love for others.** Thus to be saved means taking on the inherent missionary character of God.

The missionary impulse carries us to a goal no smaller than building a Christian social order. Bishop Thoburn, that great missionary, said, "Anyone who goes out to India will meet wretched and suffering children. The spirit of Christ will not let him pass them by; he founds an orphanage, and presently India finds that she has a new conception of duty to childhood. He goes a little further and finds men ill and dying. An irrepressible impulsion of love makes him care for them; a hospital comes into being and with it a new ideal of social welfare." Likewise the Mississippi flood sufferers receive the expression of God's love in our hearts, and brotherhood is enriched.

But this fine idealism is not practiced alike by all called Christian. Let us inquire what basis we find in Christ's teachings for our missionary impulse.

The Bible Basis for Missions

The inherent missionary character of Christianity does not rest on any proof texts. Even if we could prove that Jesus never said, "Go ye into all the world," we could not be truly Christian without being truly missionary. The Christian's God is God for everybody. The character of God, viz., love, makes it incumbent on every one to develop this essence of the divine within his own life and to share it with others.

The missionary genius of Christianity stands in bold relief against all other religions. It is the consummation of the religious development of Judaism. In earlier Judaism God was only a national Deity. Other peoples were not to be included in the great family of men. We recall Old Testament texts portraying the narrower vision, "I will give thee the heathen for thine inheritance . . . thou shalt break them with a rod of iron." Psa. 2: 8-9. "I will be an enemy unto thine enemies and an adversary to thine adversaries." Ex. 23: 22. Jehovah is clearly a national God, and he is expected to say, "My country, right or wrong." To the Jews, God was their strong Man who fought their battles and aided in unspeakable cruelties to other people.

Out of this limited view of God arose the prophets. Amos was the first to proclaim together two great truths: God is righteous and he is Lord of the whole world. Amos 9: 7.

Isaiah foresees the day when the Lord's house shall be the center to which all nations shall come. When God shall teach them all his ways and they shall all "walk in his paths." Isa. 19: 24-25.

The climax of the missionary spirit of Judaism is found in the little book of Jonah. It is well nigh tragedy that this truly sublime story should have become so associated with joking references to a whale and the real message overlooked. The basic message is a deliberate protest against the narrow and selfish nationalism in the religious life of the author's day.

Jonah, an old hero of Israel, is pictured as hearing God's call to go and preach to the hated foreign city of Nineveh a message of what God required of it. He was loath to go. It seemed too much to expect of a Jew. Nineveh! As well ask a Frenchman to go on an evangelistic mission to Berlin.

So instead of turning eastward he set sail toward exactly the opposite point of the compass, taking passage to the farthest possible port at the western end of the Mediterranean. Like the hound of heaven, God pursued him in a hurricane and dogged his steps till at last Jonah was ready to fulfill the mission that had been laid upon him. But when the Ninevites repented and were saved from their merited doom, Jonah had again to be rebuked for the intolerance of

not desiring that others should be admitted within the circle of God's mercy. To the disgruntled prophet, finding physical relief under a gourd that soon withered in the sun, came the pursuing voice in gentle irony: "Thou hast had regard for a gourd, for which thou has not labored, nor made to grow; and should not I have regard for Nineveh, that great city wherein are more than six score thousand persons that cannot discern between their right hand and their left [i. e., the children], and also much cattle?" Note the supremely tender touch of the last phrase—not even the sheep and oxen of the Ninevites are excluded from the love of God.

In this story Jonah clearly represented a haughty and self-seeking Jewish nation, uncaring whether others had the blessings that it claimed for itself. What a dramatic way of proclaiming that God's purpose embraced other peoples against whom the Jews cherished deep prejudice! This great seer was telling them, with consummate art, that "out there, beyond the covenant, in the great world lying in darkness, there live not beings created for ignorance and hostility to God, elect for destruction, but men with consciences and hearts."

Jesus Teaches Universality

The arid legalism of the time into which Jesus was born called forth from him teachings for which he was asked to forfeit his life. The visions of Amos and Isaiah seemed not to have gripped the popular mind. The self-exalted attitude at its worst found expressions as this, "O Lord, thou hast said that for our sakes thou madest this world. As for other nations which also come of Adam, thou hast said they are nothing and are like unto spittle." (The Ezra Apocalypse 3rd Vision VI 55-56.)

Among the cardinal elements in Jesus' teaching we must mention three:

1. **Jesus' Idea of God Is Universal.** In his own experience Jesus found God a loving Father caring for all men everywhere, seeking them in self-giving love, eager to help them, yearning to bring them into fellowship with himself and with one another.

No one is outside God's family; even the most prodigal son is the object of redeeming love. No other religion conceived of God as love. Jesus believed that we may become like God. This belief that we may attain in the direction of the divine has proved a great ideal and Christians have grown in the likeness of the Being they worshiped.

2. **Jesus' Idea of Man Is Universal.** Jesus saw every man regardless of race as made in the image of God. The preciousness of the individual is suggested in parable after parable. In Mary Magdalene, whom public opinion regarded as a lost woman, he saw the possibilities of finer womanhood; in vacillating Peter, something like a rock; in a thief on a cross, a soul that could be welcomed into paradise. A new sense of human worth springs from Christ's message.

3. **Jesus' Idea of Right Human Relationships Is Universal.** To the Jews the kingdom of God was the development of a powerful rule of the Jews. Jesus did not think of it as having anything to do with geographical and political boundaries. He saw men coming into it from all quarters of the globe. Luke 13: 29. Within this kingdom love is the binding force. Men may and can develop the divine love in their lives and thus build a world increasingly in harmony with the divine pattern.

Missionary Zeal

"Among the early Christians there was no more conspicuous characteristic than their active eagerness to share with others their new discovery of God in Christ. No one can read the Acts of the Apostles without being impressed by this fact. The book is the flaming story of a great adventure in making the good news known. It reveals a glowing and undaunted spirit which could not be confined within the limits of a single people, but leaped over all frontiers and gave to the Christian community a horizon as wide as the Roman Empire.

"This missionary ardor does not seem to have been due simply to a sense of obligation to fulfill a specific injunction to preach the gospel in all the world. It was rather the spontaneous outpouring of an experience so transforming and a faith of such inward compulsion that those who had known it had to say, 'We cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard.' The greater the opposition, the more unquenchable was their spirit. The boldness of Stephen in proclaiming a new freedom from Jewish

institutions because of Christ might lead to his own death and to the bitter persecution of his associates, but 'scattered abroad they went everywhere preaching the word.' So the blood of the martyrs became the seed of the church."

In the Apostle Paul the missionary urge burst into full bloom. Over mountain, sea, and plain he journeyed the long trail that men might be freed from legalism, from sin and superstition and know God as love.

Raymond Lull, missionary to Moslems in northern Africa in the 13th century, felt the urge to proclaim the divine message. At the age of 55 he decided to go alone to preach Christ in northern Africa. He was thrown into prison narrowly escaping death. At 65 he again returned to Africa, stood up in a public place and proclaimed the truth in Arabic in the boldest way. Again he was imprisoned but friends helped him to escape. He was told that if he ever came back he should die. He could not stay away. In 1314 he returned and standing up in the market place preached to those who had persecuted him. He was seized and dragged out of town where he was stoned to death, a brave martyr for Christ, eighty years old.

Only recently I attended the funeral of Aunt Martha. The large church was packed. Many stood outside for lack of room. No wonder so much tribute was paid to this corpulent maiden woman. She had spent her life in missionary work. Yet she never journeyed far from the spot of her birth. The Aid Society always held the quiltings in her home. She it was who first gave aid to homes where misfortune visited. Her contributions to organized missionary work were always generous. On the funeral day the room was dotted with uplifted hands indicating people who had received a gift of the New Testament from Aunt Martha when they passed from her primary S. S. class which she taught for a score of years. Such is the life of a quiet retiring woman at home who had been gripped by the missionary character of Christianity.

Shifting Fields of Missionary Adventure

The romantic adventure into virgin missionary lands is passing. But there are other trails as hard to blaze as those that lead across swollen rivers or parching deserts. There are untrodden paths through social and international situations fraught with destiny for mankind. See the political jungle created by the forced privileges in China for Western powers. Behold the chasm between the white and colored races. Look at the strife and ungodly conduct on both sides between capital and labor. Can our city dwellers be content to see hard-working farmers sink into peasantry?

If the character of Christianity does not lead us into these great missionary areas of life, dare we believe Christianity is following Christ? An ironical voice commenting on a spectacular evangelist says:

"You come along . . . tearing your shirt . . . yelling about Jesus. Where do you get that stuff? What do you know about Jesus? . . . You tell people living in shanties Jesus is going to fix it up all right with them by giving them mansions in the skies after they're dead and the worms have eaten 'em.

"You tell six-dollar-a-week department store girls all they need is Jesus; you take a steel-trust wop, dead without having lived, gray and shrunken at forty years of age, and you tell him to look at Jesus on the cross and he'll be all right. . . .

"I'm telling you Jesus wouldn't stand for the stuff you're handing out."

The present hour calls loudly for a more determined effort to reconstruct our social order according to the mind of Christ. True Christianity when rightly understood will not only be interested in saving men for another world, but will also seek to save them for this life. Such missionary effort will lead the church and all righteous men into every area of life.

THE CHRIST OF EXPERIENCE

Working men learn dignity from the working Christ, suffering men acquire courage from the suffering Christ, defeated men get new vision from the undefeatable Christ, persecuted men find sympathy in the crucified Christ, and bereaved hearts find their assurance of new life in the resurrected Christ. More and more the amazing personality of Christ is cutting across and sinking deeply into human experience.—The Christian Century.



Benares, India

Showing some temples along the Ganges River, and also some bathing-ghats (places)

Benares--Citadel of Hinduism

A Letter to the Idaho Churches That Support Sister Anetta Mow on the India Field

Vyara, via Surat,
Bombay Presidency, India.

Dear Friends who help to keep me on the India Field:

SINCE I had the privilege of visiting the city of Benares on June 1, I wish to tell you about some of the things I saw in that "Citadel of Hinduism." What Jerusalem was to the Jew, and what Mecca is to the Mohammedan, such is Benares to the Hindu. It is the sacred place where all orthodox Hindus wish to die.

I have wished to see the city ever since I am in India, but having seen it once, I do not care to see it again. It bares its wicked heart without shame, and one leaves with a feeling of great sadness and disgust.

Sister Lillian Grisso and I went to Benares together. On arriving at Benares, we went immediately to the Ganges River where we took a boat. This put us out into the stream where we could see the hundreds and hundreds of people on the bathing ghats. Our boat was rowed up and down the river, almost the length of the city, and we saw these hundreds of men, women, and children along the bank, bathing, washing clothes, swimming, and sitting in deep meditation. It was a very hot forenoon, and huge umbrellas and bamboo mattings were up for shade, and even grass huts were built over the water's edge, for shade and protection. Under the shades were men and women sitting in meditation, or mumbling prayers. No matter how much noise went on all about them, they sat in profound silence. In the water, people were also worshiping, by drinking of the sacred water and throwing it into their eyes.

It was beyond my understanding how those men, many of whom were educated —doubtless college graduates and professors —could believe in the rites they were carrying out, and how they could break sanitary laws.

Not twenty feet behind some of these intelligent looking men would be a city sewer emptying out into the river, or perhaps just to one side was a dead body soaking in the sacred river, in preparation for burning. And

yet, these men would dip handfuls of water into their mouths, and drink part of it and throw it into their eyes. It almost made me feel sick to watch them.

At the burning-ghat, we saw two bodies being burnt. One body was practically finished, and so we tarried to watch the closing ceremonies. Water was thrown on to the remaining chunks of wood, and then all the charred wood and ashes were thrown into the river. Next an earthen water pot was filled from the river and handed to the chief mourner. When all their work was finished and they were ready to depart, the chief mourner placed this earthen vessel on his left shoulder and let it drop down behind him, where it was shattered and the water splashed about. The moment the vessel hit the ground, the man hurried away from the place, never once looking back.

Just as we started to move on, we heard shouting and beating of drums, and looking up toward the head of the long flight of steps, we saw a third body being carried in for burning. Four men rapidly bore the body to the water's edge. We waited to see what would happen next. The body was bound to a bamboo rack, shaped and made just like a short ladder. They placed the rack and body into the water, in such a position that the body stood upright in the water above the waist line. And here the body was allowed to remain for about fifteen minutes. The four bearers then came near and opening the white cloth wrapped about the face, gave the body water to drink, dipping up handfuls from the river. When this ceremony was complete, they carried the rack (and the body) up to the same spot where we had seen the earthen pot break a short while before. The body was laid down until the wood could be built up with a pyre. The pyre was formed very quickly, and then the rack and body were laid on the wood. Our boat moved on down the river, and an hour later, when we returned, we saw the pyre in flames.

The river bank is lined with temples. Some are grand; others are small. There were red painted stones which marked spots where suttee was performed in years past—that is, where wives burned themselves alive on their husbands' pyres.

We were told of a sacred well, containing water even more sacred than the water of the Ganges River. The reason this well water is so sacred, is because the god Krishna, himself, dug it and the well was filled with his sweat—hence very, very, sacred!

In the Golden Temple we saw the "Well of Knowledge." We could not go near it, so stood back some ten feet from it. This well contains very sacred water too, for at the bottom of the well is the symbol of the god Shiva, and over and above all, all the bath water poured over the idols in the temple drains into this well. Every morning, all the idols, lining the walls of the temple, are bathed with Ganges River water, and that makes the water doubly sacred by the time it gets into the well. When worshipers came to the well, they threw flowers into the well as an offering, and then bought a handful of the well water. They would drink part of it and throw the rest into their eyes. What won't people do in the name of religion! This Golden Temple has 560 pounds of gold on its dome.

Next we stepped inside the Cow Temple. The paths leading to this temple were lined with beggars of every description. Everyone held out a bowl for rice or money.

The walls of the Cow Temple were lined with images and some of them were most horrid. The monkey god, the elephant god, the sacred bull, etc., all stood out in their ugliness, and some didn't have any shape at all. The floors were wet and muddy, and the air was reeking with the odors of dead flowers and burning incense as well as the smell of the sacred cows, standing in stalls at one end of the temple. Worshipers poured in, and threw themselves down before the various images. Many times they sprawled on the muddy floor, seemingly in utter unconsciousness of their surroundings—wholly given over to their worship. A large bell was kept ringing constantly as the worshipers filed past it, for they rang the bell to awake the gods.

As we came away from this temple, and got out into fresh air again, it seemed good to feel we were out of such a depressing place. It seemed to me that I could feel the wickedness.

But we didn't, then, see the worst. There

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The Khergam Mission Compound

W. V. SOLANKY

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KHERGAM Mission Compound is about fifteen miles northeast of the Bulsar Mission Compound. All round this place are living wild tribes who are uncivilized and quite ignorant of Christianity. Many of our field are in the Dharampore State. This state is inhabited by these wild tribes. The roads are very bad and the places where we work are very inconvenient, but it is one of the biggest opportunities to win these people to Christ.

Environment

These people have no religion or master of their own. They are backward in education. Some of them own land, but the majority of them are very poor. Sometimes they have to pull on without three or four meals. These people believe in evil spirits, and they are slaves to many wicked customs, superstitions, and alcohol. They are much harassed by the high caste people. Their condition is piteous. They cry, like the people of Macedonia, "Come and help us."

Boarding School

In the time of Elder A. W. Ross, I was working at Vankel and supervising many schools of the Bulsar district. During that period two men of these backward classes were baptized. They, as well as we, had to suffer much persecution. Since then the door is opened and the people are believing in Christ and are being baptized. The mission has set up a very important boarding school at Khergam. The chief aim of opening this girls' boarding school is to produce many well educated and good families. Miss Ida C. Shumaker is the manager of the boarding school and all other schools in the district. To help her in her work, my wife and I are chosen. She spends most of her time at Khergam in a comfortless little house because it is the center of our field. It has the girls' boarding school. It is the place in which we hope to organize a new body of Christians, and it is the place from which the work can be well supervised. Many of the non-Christians praise her self-sacrifice and courage. When we first went there, on the 20th of January, many folk were against the idea of opening the boarding school. We made friends with them and by love and patience we won them to our side. Facing many difficulties, we gathered twenty girls and thus opened the boarding school with the mission permission. At first the boarding school did not run smoothly because some of the people, putting difficulties in our way, began to take away their girls, but by incessant teaching and prayers we succeeded in keeping and helping twenty girls. Now many other girls want to join the boarding school, but there is no room for them, and we cannot keep more than that number as there are no funds. After six months' teaching, three big girls have been baptized. For this we praise the Lord.

Day Schools, Night Schools, and Sunday-Schools

People have been applying for day and night schools at various places, but we, instead of gratifying their desire, have to close some of the schools for the want of money. We are permitted to have only three standards, so we have to send our students to Vankel, Bulsar, and Anklesvar for higher study. Many of them have become good workers. Unfortunately some of the boys married non-Christian and uneducated girls with the result that they have grown weak in some respects. It is quite natural that through good and righteous families, a good church takes its birth. This year we are trying to open Sunday-schools through which religious instruction can be imparted to the students.

The Church

Khergam is a nice place where an independent church can be established. People of this part are very much troubled by the big folk. Many families want to live near the mission compound and wish to join with the church. But these people are not well off and are unable to pay the price of the land at one time. If the mission takes a

plat of land here and allows these families to live there, certainly they will pay the price of the land in installments. One family lives near the compound already. Members of this family were baptized this year. They attend Sunday school regularly and lead good Christian lives. This is the beginning of the church in Khergam. In this six months, twenty-eight men have been baptized. On the 11th of June, fifty-four men and women took part in the Holy Communion. This was the first time these two ceremonies were celebrated. Money used for the Lord's supper was taken from our village Sunday-schools.

Work for Women

Up to this time only men have been baptized from this caste. Only men like to be educated. Women never think of it. In the Khergam boarding school we encourage girls to get an education, and we try our best to baptize women. Certainly our efforts have been crowned with success. Thirteen girls and women were baptized. For this we praise our Lord. Our girls' boarding school is the best institution through which women can come to know about Christ.

We worked as helpers with this spiritual and enthusiastic missionary in Jalalpor Girls' Boarding School, in the Jalalpor church, and in the schools of the Jalalpor district. We thank the Lord for the same opportunity again here in Khergam District for his glory.

"Kai Mei," One of the Faithful in China

MINNEVA J. NEHER

IN the little village of Chang, ten li (three and one-third miles) out from Shou Yang, in a simple, humble home, where the name of the Savior is loved and honored, lives a dear little woman. Everybody knows her as "Kai Mei." She has another "school name," but should you inquire for her by that name few folks would know whom you meant. Her home is indeed humble, only a little room dug in the hill, but it is very clean and very neat with a touch here and there to make it more attractive. Kai Mei is different from the other women in her village for she has "read" and "knows characters," having had the opportunity as a child to be in a Mission School in the capital city of the province, Tai Yuan Fu, for several years.

When but twelve years old, Kai Mei came as a bride into her present home. Her husband, who is a gate keeper in Tai Yuan Fu, took his bride so early because of the advancing age of his mother. She died not many months after the little bride came into the home. This left Kai Mei the only woman in their small court, for the only other member of the family was an older brother who has never married. This older brother is one of the most sincere and earnest Christians in the whole Shou Yang district. Kai Mei's husband is also a Christian, and so from childhood she has practically known little personally of idol worship. There is a family altar in this home instead of the common idol worship. Every day in this home prayer is raised to the Living God.

When Kai Mei was fourteen she became mother to a wee son, who to the sorrow of his parents, only lived a short time. Later when the Women's Bible School was opened in Shou Yang, Kai Mei was able to spend a year there in school. It was during this year that little "New Grace" (Hsin Eu) came to brighten the lives of her parents. (She is the little daughter shown in the picture.) It was also during this year that Kai Mei entered into definite covenant relation with her Savior and was baptized. It has been the desire of her heart to get more schooling, and her brother-in-law is also eager that she may study more and on two different times has allowed her to enter school, but the husband upon his return home has each time come and taken her home.

Kai Mei is the only Christian woman in her village, and although she is but twenty-one, she loves her Lord and is most eager to be a true witness for him. On one occasion when the missionary with one of the Christian women from Shou Yang was visiting in her village, she said to the mission-



Li Kai Mei
Twenty-one years old, with her little four-year-old daughter, Hsin Eu (New Grace).

ary, "You cannot come here often, but if you will give me some pictures, I can teach the women while you are gone." (We use pictures very much in teaching the women.) You may be sure the missionary most gladly provided the pictures. This spring Kai Mei has opened a little Sunday-school for the children, and she writes that there are six and seven coming every Sunday and there would be more if it were not that the present troubled conditions makes the people fearful. Her fine heart and spirit may be glimpsed from the following letter written to two of the missionary ladies after they were forced to leave the interior:

(The translation has tried to preserve a bit of the Chinese expression.)

"———Teacher, ———Teacher: In your Honorable presence, Greeting:

"Your Excellencies' so hastily departing from Shansi was most unexpected to me. I had thought to see your face once again, but, alas, I had no opportunity. After you had gone, my heart was very much distressed, because you came here to China and have to endure a lot of affliction and persecution. The 'outside' people [that is the unchristian people] say that you do not preserve a good heart. Even though they speak this way we 'deeply' know that you are working for the truth of God and to save men. We can never, never forget your idea and desire. I greatly thank God because he loving us sent you to come to China and tell us of his Gospel so that we could have the hope of salvation. Because of this, when I pray I continually remember you all. May you, wherever you may be, all have God with you to protect you and give you peace. It is my hope that you also will constantly pray for us that whatever may come we may all be unafraid, and thus help us to always be strong and courageous-hearted. I do not know when you will be able to return. I hope it may be soon. Our family has all received greatly the protection and peace of the Lord. Clothes and food are abundantly sufficient. Teachers [Chiao Shih], you need not be anxious.

"Your little sister in the Lord,
"Kai Mei bows to you."

BENARES—CITADEL OF HINDUISM

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are temples so foul and vile in Benares, that a guide will not take women near them. We had seen enough, and we left the city feeling depressed and sick at heart. I had often read about Hinduism, but I had not realized the utter corruption of such worship before.

Surely such wickedness presents a mighty challenge to those of us who know Jesus Christ and the purity of heart which he requires. What a task is before us! Surely India needs more than education, more than Western methods, more than mere ethics. She needs Jesus. Truly, there is no other name under heaven, whereby man may be saved.

May the love of Jesus be yours.

Your coworker,
Anetta Mow.

Is a Girls' School Worth While in China?

MINERVA METZGER

NOTHING is more striking in the Gospel story than Jesus' treatment of women." Nor is there anything more striking in China than the way Jesus has blessed her women and girls. Just what have the fifteen years of our schools meant to the Chinese girl? Has the enterprise succeeded? What about the effort, the time, the money spent? One girl, when asked, "Would you not rather be free of this school debt and be as you were?" emphatically answered, "There is no comparison; this is everything, that would be nothing." A few mothers brought their little ones to the Master and he reached out, took them into his arms, loved them and blessed them. Year by year these girls came back and were taught to read, to write, and to be like him.

Today some of these are busy in the work of the kingdom. They love the Master, they try to be like him. They love the church and take a leading part in its activities; they serve on important committees; they teach in our schools; they nurse in our hospitals; they go out to preach; they are housewives and mothers. Jesus said, "Let the little ones come unto me and forbid them not." They came, he blessed them; he prepared them for this very day and hour, when the missionaries are away. Suddenly, one day, they were alone, the missionaries had gone, but **they were ready.**

Theirs is not an easy task. The temptations and life problems of China's young people are tremendous, and only through the power of the Holy Spirit will they be able to perform their duties effectually to their homes, the schools, the church, and their country. One of our girls, Wei Chiu Lan, has been experiencing the power in her life. She came from a very poor home. Her parents are not Christians. Early her father engaged her into a non-Christian home. This has been bitterness to her, for she believed that such a marriage would end all that was worth while. She prayed often for deliverance, now she prays that God will use her anyway. Light is coming into her soul, and she believes that the God who has blessed her life thus far will continue to help her in the days to come, if she

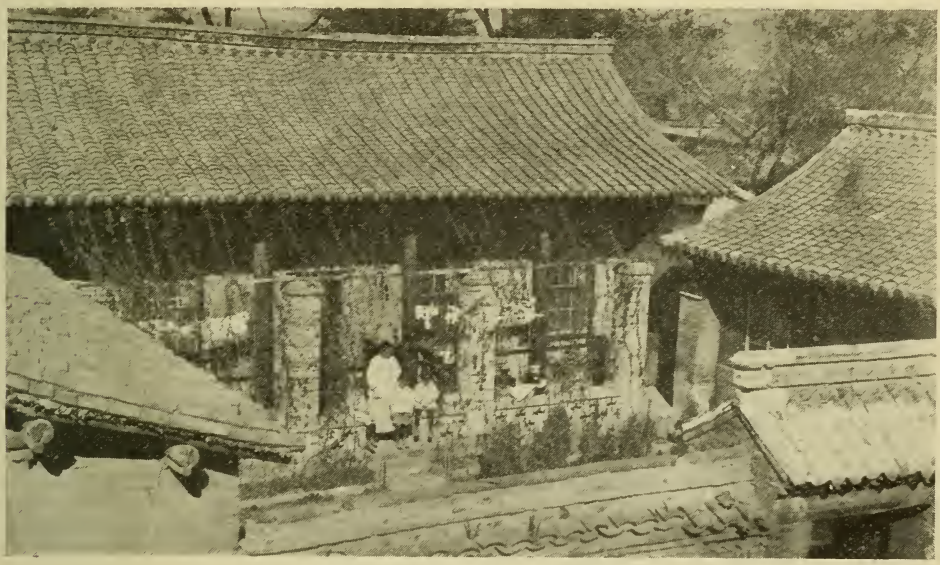
"Trust and obey, for there's no other way,
To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey."

Wei Chiu Lan is the pioneer young woman evangelist in our mission. After her graduation, there was only one field of work open to her. Being very poor, she was actually compelled to accept the position. Her schoolmates and close friends said, "You are foolish to do the work of an old woman." The country folks said, "Why are you doing this? A young woman like you ought to be married and stay at home." Her friends despised her work, and the people to whom she went doubted her character. But God also had a word for her, and now she is certain that she has been definitely called to this great work among the country women. Her friends listen eagerly as she relates her experiences. The country folk are anxious to have her return.

Sung Su Yun is another girl who has had a fierce struggle. She came to us from an orphanage in Peking, and was in our schools several years before graduating, then she taught one year. The call of her former associates and the lure of Peking gaieties were a greater temptation than she could overcome. She decided to leave all and go to them. A party was going to the capital. She made her plans to go along. The day came, the party went, but Su Yun never went. Some unseen power held her back. Was it God's love? She was homeless, jobless; she wanted to be a nurse. She entered a Mission Training School. After her probation period, she again longed for a gayer and easier life. For days she hesitated to sign the papers. At last, she accepted the call to stay, put on her uniform, and has made good. In a short time she will graduate. Sung Su Yun is a sweet, adorable, winsome little nurse.

We would like to tell you of others who have made good. These two cases show that there are mighty struggles and glorious victories among the girls of our schools. While some have not responded to the teachings of the Gospel, there are others who have,

and after these fifteen years of school work for girls we can truly say the enterprise has been worth while. The work is still going on, and God asks us all to continue our support and loyalty. How we prize these Christian women leaders!



The Oberholtzer Home, Liao Chou

This is a Chinese house remodeled some for convenience. Mrs. Oberholtzer and the children are on the porch.

Home Visiting in Liao Chou

ELIZABETH W. OBERHOLTZER

IN the fall of last year Mrs. Pan, one of our Bible women, and I, visited a number of homes and enrolled about twenty women in a home reading class. Many of the young women and girls cannot go to school to learn and are glad to have some one teach them at home. Even some of the older women want to learn and think that they have time for one hour a week. After the reading lesson the family will often gather into one room and listen to a Bible story, sing hymns, and learn to pray. The women are glad to see the Bible woman come and often want her to stay longer. It is a pleasure to meet and talk with these kindly people and I enjoy going with Mrs. Pan sometimes, and as time affords I visit alone.

The people at Liao Chou are of the farming class, and all, or nearly all, of them make a good living. They are happy and cheerful and make you welcome in their homes. Our postmaster's wife is very pleasant and anxious to learn to read. She has been a cripple for a long time but is now able to get off her kang (brick bed), and she is very happy. I enjoy visiting her. She has a kindly face and seems glad to have one come in. She is now reading the Second Book of the Thousand Character series. She and her husband have known about Christianity for some years. Their son is a Christian and has married a Christian schoolgirl from Ping Ting. We pray that their parents may become Christians.

Our home is in the city, and our neighbors are very near. We have many opportunities to meet the people and visit in their homes. Near our home is the Chiao Ting Hsi court. There are three sons, one daughter, and two daughters-in-law, and the old grandmother in this home. Ting Hsi and his wife are church members. Young Mrs. Chiao has read in the women's school. But

this year she is reading at home because her baby is too small to take to the school. We have good times in this home. Old Mrs. Chiao does not read much but loves the stories and the hymns. Her favorite ones are "Jesus Loves Me," and "There Is Only One True God." We wish that this mother could be won for Christ too.

I often go into the Widow Wang's home. I call her aunt and she likes it. She and her two sons and a daughter-in-law entered the church some years ago. The elder son is cold and does not care for the church but her second son seems interested. Mrs. Wang has had lots of sorrow this past year in the loss of her two daughters-in-law and one grandchild. The new wife of the second son is reading each week.

Mrs. Chiao Po Chen is a good mother, and I like to visit with her and talk about our homes and our children. Her husband was baptized this spring. Three of their daughters are in the Girls' School. Their two sons have attended a commercial school in Peking. They are to be married this year, and their father is building a new house for them. It is a great pleasure to meet these cultured people and see how well bred their children are. We pray that this mother and her children may also become followers of Jesus.

It has been a great joy to see our work make some progress this past year. Miss Horning, who has had charge of the women's city and near village work, has been doing some positive teaching, that of worship. We are trying to teach the people that the worship of the True God is the vital need of all. Some of the Chinese are religious and very devoted to their gods. We try to make them understand that they should give God their thanks and pray to him for their blessings. Some are trying it and seem to be grasping the idea. We pray for these village folk that they may know God and his goodness.

We were sad to be called away from our work and our homes, but we rejoice that there are brave Chinese workers who are doing what they can to carry on the work in our absence. We long to go back to help them and pray that, if it is God's will, we may soon return to Shansi. May the Spirit of God be present with these people and bring them into his kingdom.

INDIA NOTES

Bulsar

Jennie Mohler

The Bible School opened in June for six months with Bro. Blough in charge and Bro. Govindji Satvedi assisting. Both of them teach two classes each day. There are sixteen men in the class and several women who are taking almost full work. They are teaching the daily Bible lesson in the classes in the Boys' School as a part of their practice work.

In June the rains began in good earnest, and we had heavy rains for a while; but the last month they have not been so heavy and scarcely enough for the rice, though it is still green and growing. In some places not far away there is not enough for the rice fields to have filled so the rice could be planted, and then in other places there are heavy floods with great destruction of property and loss of life. We are still hoping for enough rain that there will be a good rice crop.

At present there is an epidemic of flu in a light form in the community here, and a few cases of pneumonia have developed following it. The women and children in the Widows' Home were hard hit for awhile. For a few days there was some one sick in every room, but all have improved now; also most of those in the Christian community.

Some of the new hospital rooms have been ready for occupancy for a few weeks now, though the others must wait a while for the walls to dry more before they can be occupied. Most of the people object to go into the new rooms because they do not want to be the first to occupy a new room. They have some superstition against it. But if they are in great need of medical care they may forget their superstitions and consent to go in them. Since the beginning of the rains the work in the dispensary has increased considerably, and there are more cases coming into the hospital also.

Dahanu

Mae Wolf, R. N.

Several times you have heard of the struggles our young Christian man, Vesta, has had since he accepted Christ. Again he is being sorely tried. His litle daughter was quite ill for several days, so he brought her to the hospital one morning. She stayed five hours only because relatives (his people) came and made him take her out. Next morning his wife and baby went back to his village, and at the time the baby had a temperature of 101 degrees. On Sunday following he went to see them, and he came back home broken-hearted. They told him she could never come to the mission compound again. They said he should come and live with her there, or they would send her to her people, which would mean he likely never could get her again. Remember him as he stands for him who suffered and died for his sake that he may not falter, but grow day by day and thus be able to withstand all the powers of the devil.

The schoolgirls are well and all are busy each day in school.

The hospital work is growing. A very sick woman with tetanus is in at present. Pray that by all the means given and by our prayers she may be spared, for a dear baby two weeks old is needing her mother-love.

Miss Roop spent June at Dahanu helping Dr. Metzger when she was alone. She enjoyed the experience and as well had a bit of rest from heavy studies in Marathi. On the return of Dr. Nickey, Dr. Metzger and Miss Roop went to Poona for study. We expect them, as well as Miss Verna Blickenstaff, this fall to share the work with us.

AFRICA NOTES FOR MAY AND JUNE

Garkida

W. M. Beahm

Bura farming season has been on full blast during this time and consequently school has been closed. There has also been considerable difficulty in securing sufficient help to finish up the last ends of our season's building work.

Cement has arrived for the laying of the foundation and floor of the hospital. Work has been begun on this project for it is imperative to get it done during the rains. This is due to the needed dampness for working cement. Also to the danger of holding cement through the rainy season. Bro. Flohr has been given charge of all new building and is busy at this work.

During June was held the regular meeting of the Field Committee. This brought to us our workers from both Gardemna and Dille. Bro. Mallott spent a week with us on committee work, while the Kulps spent longer at the same task—committee work. The renewed fellowship was also a great blessing to all. Personal reports of the beginnings of work at Gardemna and Dille were very encouraging.

The crowning event of this period was on Sunday morning, the 12th of June. For added to the glories of the sunrise on a green earth was the infinitely greater glory, the beginning of the Bura church. There were four young men baptized in the near-by Hawal. This is, of course, not a large percentage of those who made public confession over a year ago. But that is due far more to standards of growth and the age of the bulk of the boys than to any backsliding or lack of growth on the part of all. It is one of the universal experiences of man to have the happenings of such a supreme moment outshine and outweigh all the toil, prayer, patience, and disappointment of many previous years. One could rejoice if after many more years only these four would be called out of darkness into light. But to have lads of this promise enter His church after these few years and this faulty witness assures us of God's purpose for these people.

Work on the translation of The Acts and a compilation of a Bura hymn book is going forward and it is hoped to have the books in printed form by the end of the year. Considerable work is being done in the preparation and translation of suitable curriculum materials for our school work as well.

The health of the workers has been happy for which we thank God. The three children have been kept in health in a remarkable way. There has been a great deal of dysentery among the Bura people and not a few deaths. But an increasing number are coming to the hospital for treatment. The number of patients coming from a distance is also increasing.

We discover daily evidences of God's great desire to see these folk brought to himself and we renew our dedication to the task of helping him work his purpose out before the disappointing allurements of Islam lead them astray.

On Wednesday, June 15, a fitting bronze tablet was unveiled a the head of the grave of Ruth Royer Kulp. All of us were present except Bro. Mallott, who was obliged to get back to Gardemna for his work there. There was also a considerable group of the Buras there while we commemorated the third anniversary of Sister Kulp's departure. It was an occasion for solemn joy, for there were present four Bura boys who had been baptized just three days previously. Surely, from the ground there blossoms red life that shall endless be.

Gardemna

Floyd E. Mallott

In view of the size of the present station staff it would be quite superfluous to use the editorial we. (Note: Bro. Mallott is the only missionary located at his station.)

May is the first month of the Bura year. At Gardemna we had occasional drenching rains, terrific windstorms, cool nights, steamy days, and everyone busy planting guineacorn.

I finished my house May 20. This in spite of wind stripping parts of the thatch twice, and scarcity of labor after planting began.

The residence at Gardemna has three ample rooms and a veranda of generous size. Since it was not possible to build a meeting hall this wet season, morning prayers and Sunday morning church are on the veranda.

The mission compound of seven acres was cleared of brush, a yard made, and two short roads—one to the village and one toward the river—were made.

During May Mr. Heckman and Mr. Flohr were

welcome visitors at Gardemua. Later it was a pleasure to have Mr. and Mrs. Beahm over a week end.

It pleases the village people that their white man has visitors from Garkida. The Bura has no conception of an organized mission. He just sees missionaries. And he doesn't know them by that name, either.

During May an old man of the village committed suicide by starving. Two of his grown children had died within a year. He found his grief so hard to bear and his loneliness so great that he decided life was futile. To him life held nothing good or purposeful. He lay down on his mat, closed his lips, resisted all entreaties to drink water or eat. Did some one in the congregation suggest that pagan people did not need the GOOD NEWS?

The attendance at the veranda church service increased from twenty or thirty to sixty or more by the end of June. The local king comes regularly. Two men have definitely renounced beer and pledged themselves to keep Sunday. These say they want to learn to read.

Dispensary patients increased in June. Those seriously ill I seek to persuade to go to Garkidda.

Several visits were made to adjacent villages, especially to Kwaktera and Zamba.

"He who loves work loves himself; he who hates work hates himself."—Bura Proverb.

CHINA NOTES FOR JULY

Lulu W. Coffman

July 18 to 20 was a week of special prayer here in Peitaiho. Missionaries of many different denominations gathered together twice each day for intercession, and the deepening of spiritual life. From the burden of most of the prayers, it was very evident that there was a widespread hunger for a closer walk with God and for a baptism of power for service, and for a deep spiritual awakening of the Christian Church in China.

Sunday, July 24, was observed as a day of fasting and prayer by missionaries gathered in the various coast cities of China. There were five main things upon which the missionaries united in prayer and intercession; namely, governments, churches, troops, Chinese and foreign, China, and revival. Here at Peitaiho special services were held from 9:30 A. M. to 2:30 P. M. with different leaders for each hour. The day proved one of real soul blessing and we believe things will be different because of that day of fasting and prayer.

Some of the missionaries, men and single ladies, hope to return to the work the last of August if conditions permit. We plan to have our Fall Mission Meeting before we separate and are postponing the meeting as late as possible hoping that Bro. Crumpacker will arrive in time for the meeting.

Mr. Liu Fu Jung of Liao Chou is here translating the Pastor's Manual and parts of the Mission Board's Manual into Chinese, that our leaders and pastors may have the help of this useful Manual in their work and may be better informed on the rules and practices of our church and mission.

Letters from our brethren and sisters in Shansi bring joy to our hearts as they tell of how the work is moving on. On the other hand they bring us burdened hearts as well when we hear of their problems and how they long for our return. We are sure you in the homeland will enjoy sharing some of their letters with us.

Today's mail brings a letter from Pastor Yin at Pingting to Miss Schaeffer. He writes in English: "I am glad that Bro. Crumpacker is coming to China. Will you come back now? There are fourteen persons ready to enter our church in Kao Lao. I shall go there on the twelth of August to hold a series of meetings. We shall miss you very much if you do not come because many of them are women. It was very hot at the end of July. Many people have been sick. Two of my children and I have been sick too, but we are quite well now."

Mr. Wang, one of the boy nurses, writes that the Christians in Pingting and surrounding villages met and prayed for rain because of the very dry weather, and that their prayers were answered, for a three days' rain soon came.

Part of a letter from Mr. Chao, another nurse at Pingting, to Miss Flory: "Yes, we had several major operations last month. One was an old woman 75 years old who came on Sunday with fracture of the left leg; another, a young woman had had a tuberculous knee for seven months. Each had a leg amputated and stood the operation well. The young woman has already returned home. We have three cases of typhus fever, and one man with syphilitic sores was operated on a few days ago. Mrs. Wang Chih Jung (wife of one of the evangelists and teacher in the girls' school) has a boy born in the Women's Hospital. Thirty-one patients entered the hospital this month.

"I hope God will open the way soon for you and that you will come back as soon as the way opens up. I earnestly ask you to pray our Lord to help me in my work. I am sure that I can do nothing well without God's help."

Mrs. Kung, the Bible woman in Showyang, writes to Miss Neher: (Translation) "You have been gone a long time. In my heard I am continually thinking of you, no matter what I am doing, Teacher. We hope you will soon return, then it will be well. We hope that while you stay there another

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The Workers' Corner

The editor invites helpful contributions for this department of the Visitor

MISSIONARY NEWS

THE AUGUST GENERAL MISSION BOARD MEETING

The regular quarterly meeting of the Board was held August 30 and 31. All the Board members were present and as this was the regular time for the annual reorganization of the Board, the election was held with results as follows: President, Otho Winger; Vice President, A. P. Blough; Secretary, Charles D. Bonsack; Treasurer, C. M. Culp; Home Mission Secretary, M. R. Zigler; Missionary Educational Secretary, H. Spenser Minnich.

The matter of greatly enlarging the endowment for the Board was proposed by an Eastern District. The Board has been studying this question and feels that the endowment fund of the Board should be increased, but since the missionary work of the church should be carried on by the perpetual giving of earnest Christian folks, it was felt that the Board should depend largely on the systematic and annual giving to support the regular program. The Board does desire to increase its endowment and trusts that those who are in position to give the larger sums on the annuity or endowment plan will do so. The Board does not however contemplate building up such a large endowment that the regular appeal to the churches will be unnecessary. The Board is particularly interested in building up a larger endowment fund for the relief of aged and disabled ministers and widows of ministers. The church has an obligation to its servants who have served long and faithfully, often without pay.

The need for Christian literature in Africa was greatly impressed upon us, and action was taken favoring the work of the Christian Literature Committee for Africa and a small appropriation was made for next year. This is most important when we consider that in the territory of Africa where we work there is no written language. For example, the four young men who were baptized in our mission on last June 12, will have no Christian literature to read except what our missionaries have written and translated, such as a few of the Gospels, the Life of Christ, and a few readers.

When missionaries come home on furlough the Board passes a decision in each case whether missionaries should return to the field or remain in the home land. This decision is often made before the missionaries leave the field for furlough. They can then make their plans for the future. The following missionaries either now on furlough or to come on furlough next year, were authorized to return after their period in America: for India, D. J. Lichty and wife, J. M. Blough and wife, L. A. Blickenstaff and wife, Elsie M. Shickel, B. Mary Royer, Olive Widdowson, Fred M. Hollenberg and wife; to China, Harlan Smith and wife, D. L. Horning and wife. These and other China missionaries were authorized to return as soon as their furlough periods are over and the situation in China will justify their return.

The turmoil in China is not yet over; the end is not in sight. The Board hoped that the situation would be sufficiently clear so our missionaries located at the coast city of Peitaiho could return to their stations by this time. Since this does not seem advisable, missionaries on furlough due to return this summer will remain in America and plans are on foot to allocate them to work helpful to the home church in every case possible.

Dr. Russell Robertson and wife, Bertha, who is a registered nurse, were appointed to Africa. They were approved by the Hershey Annual Conference, but their field of service was not designated until this Board meeting. Dr. Robertson has been taking his internship, his period of medical practice, in Ancon

Hospital, owned by the United States government in Panama. They will take a short course in Bethany Bible School and will likely sail in December.

Orville Hersch and wife, Mabel, who have been under appointment by the Board for some time, were authorized to go to Africa in 1928. The Board greatly needs a doctor for India, as well as one nurse each for India and Africa.

A man and two single women for educational work were authorized for India to be sent out next year if suitable workers can be found.

Important interests in Africa demand the visit of a deputation from the Board. Brethren Bonsack and Emmert were authorized to make this trip. At the present writing it seems they will not go this year, but wait till next year, for at that time practically all of the Africa missionaries are expected to be on the field, as none are due for furlough at that time. Furthermore, the situation in China is such that Bro. Bonsack, Secretary of the Board, is needed in America during this year. His recent visit to the field puts him in position of advantage to wrestle with the hard problem over there.

Missionaries who return from India on furlough next year will likely come by the Pacific instead of the Atlantic as they usually do. They are planning thus in order to stop in California for the Annual Conference en route to their destinations in America.

The recent Hershey Conference, at the request of the Tract Examining Committee, discontinued that committee and turned the work over to the General Mission Board. At this meeting the Board appointed a committee of three to study the work of production of and payment for tracts. This committee will make a study of the whole field of tract distribution and will be glad for suggestions from any member of the church. The same should be addressed to H. Spenser Minnich, Elgin, Illinois.

The Board authorized the publication of the new missionary program book which has been compiled by Sister F. H. Crumpacker. This should appear within the next few months.

As the Brooklyn Italian mission work is progressing nicely in their splendidly equipped new building, and as this building is not all paid for, the Board took steps to give some assistance.

The Rural Church Commission selected by the District Mission Boards in their Annual Conference session is doing a splendid work in studying the problems of the rural church, and the Board authorized the payment of a small sum for the expenses of this committee.

The Board's treasurer, Bro. C. M. Culp, made his regular quarterly report which shows that the Board is in arrears on its current missionary funds to the amount of $46,428.67.

The annuity and endowment money which the Board has received in years past is carefully invested so that it will produce an income for the Board. In years past most of this investment has been placed in first farm mortgages, many of them in the West. The Board's efficient treasurer has recently made an extended tour, looking after the Board's interests in the western country.

During the first day of the meeting the Board laid aside its work for a period and entered into deep devotional thought. Bro. Levi Garst, member of the Board, led this period. Most of the work entrusted to the Board bears down, causing the Board members and secretaries to feel the absolute necessity of divine help and the prayerful interest of the church. At every Board meeting individual lives are greatly affected, some appointed for life service as missionaries, others possibly rejected; monies are appropriated for the building up of missionary churches, and other requests must be declined, oftentimes for lack of money—all of which vitally affects a large area of life. Will you not join with the Board in prayer and active effort for the work which Bro. Stover has so rightly named, "the great first work of the church"?—H. S. M.

The First Church of South Bend buys a motor cycle for the Africa Mission. Recently the Africa mission, finding a need for a motorcycle to cover their vast distances and feeling that the roads were sufficiently good for the use of a motorcycle, asked for the Board to find some one who would make such a gift. South Bend Church upon learning of this need pledged $350.00 for this purpose. The motorcycle is to be equipped with a side car. The Friendship class of the Sun-

day-school assumes $100.00 of this amount. Formerly they contributed $150.00 toward a wagon in use by the Africa Mission.

Hindus and Mohammedans Aggressive Against Christians

Opposition to Christianity on the part of Mohammedans and Hindus was never better organized nor aggressive than now, according to reports being received from missionaries in the central provinces of India.

"Hinduism has undergone a change, one of the most remarkable in the history of any religion," writes one missionary. "From being simply a conservative force, non-resistant, it has suddenly become a missionary religion. It now opens the doors of caste to those who would return after having been converted to other faiths. The matter of the uplift of the 'untouchables' is now a prominent question among Hindus of all classes.

"The lower classes themselves are holding conferences and making demands and seeking outlets into higher and better things. The newer Hinduism, as represented by the Arya Samaj, has adopted several Christian methods in its work: it is using the Sunday-school and lesson leaflet idea, has bazaar preaching, is using zenana teachers after the style of our Bible women, and is distributing literature, opening day and boarding schools, etc. One form of Hindu activity, as stated by a prominent paper published in Western India, is frankly to absorb Christianity.

"Mohammedanism has no paid ministry, for every man is supposed to be a missionary. Lectures are being delivered, literature distributed and increased activity is very manifest in the community. In one large town where we have the headquarters of our work they set the number of converts they were to win during the year at sixty. There is intense feeling between the Hindu and Mohammedan communities, such as has broken out into rioting in different places during the year in other parts of the country."

Lord, give me faith to live from day to day,
With tranquil heart to do my simple part,
And with my hand in thine just go thy way!

Lord, give me faith to leave it all to thee!
The future is thy gift: I would not lift
The veil thy love has hung 'twixt it and me.

—John Oxenham.



Give the Children a Place at District Meeting

Sister Florence Sellers providing a worth-while program for the younger members of the Texas and Louisiana District Meeting held at Roanoke. This seems to be the secret of conserving youth for the church.

A Box of Questions

In this column questions about missions will be asked and answered. Questions in the minds of Visitor readers may be asked here.

1. A brother in Pennsylvania asked for some free tracts for distribution.

In answer we sent him samples of a few tracts and a catalog requesting that he place an order for such tracts as he wished to distribute. The Board will be glad to send a catalog to any one who may then order tracts for distribution. Tracts are free, but the Board invites contributions for this fund.

2. "Please send me a Missionary Standard to hang on the wall."

The supply of wall standards is exhausted, but we have leaflets with the missionary standard that may be had upon request.

3. "Please send me a copy of the Rural Church Commission Report." Thus writes a brother from Virginia.

The Rural Church Commission is a body that was appointed by the District Mission Boards at Lincoln Conference in 1926. At Hershey this year they submitted a very worth-while report which is available for the asking. Address General Mission Board, Home Dept., Elgin, Ill.

4. "Our Sunday-school wants to help the mission cause by supporting a child of one of the missionaries. Please tell us of any children whose support has not been assigned." So writes a S. S. of a northern District.

We are glad to give you the names of several children who have not yet been assigned. The support ranges from $75 to $250 per year, depending upon the age of the child and the country.

5. "Our Young People's Department is interested in missions and wants to correspond with some missionary on the field."

It is quite proper to do this. On the inside back cover of the Visitor you will find the names of all the missionaries, and any church or group desiring first hand touch with the missionaries should write to the missionary of its choice.

6. "What is the plan by which the Visitor is sent free?"

All contributors of $4 or more to the General Mission Board during any one year are entitled to the Visitor free for one year. If you gave your money through a congregational offering you should request the minister, the missionary committee, the treasurer, or some responsible person in your church to send your name to the General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill. If this is not suitable send in your name direct. We will be glad to send suitable blanks for sending in names to persons responsible for forwarding us the names of persons entitled. Any one who has not given $4.00 may subscribe at the regular subscription rate of $1.00 per year.

A LETTER FROM INDIA

Jalalpor, Surat District, India,
August 5, 1927.

Elder Chas. D. Bonsack,
Elgin, Illinois.

Dear Brother Bonsack:

Thank you for your good letter. It has been here several weeks. It is very easy to put off letter writing in this kingdom of girls where there is always something doing to take one's moments. Talk about a missionary not having any thrills. There are indeed many, and sometimes come most unexpectedly. Week before last we had a sudden thrill when about thirty-one girls went down with influenza in a few hours. School was closed for about a week, and we all turned to looking after the sick instead of ministering to a bunch of jolly, healthy girls. It was so unusual to have any sickness, so the scene was rather pathetic. Thank the Lord we came through without any fatalities. Now all are up and well and at work again. Fortunately enough of us remained well to look after the sick. The matron was one of the sick ones, but the two women teachers stayed well and were an "arm of strength" during the epidemic. We kept in close touch with Dr. Cottrell, who also paid us one visit during the siege.

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At Landour, during the summer, Stanley Jones told us that the people who are doing the most for the world are the men and women who have faith. He gave us a wonderful message on faith—"Now faith is the

substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." All his messages were wonderful and were a wonderful challenge to go on working harder than ever in the cause to which we have given our lives. Being busy is another thing he talked about —so busy that we forget ourselves. In a recent American I read this: "The men who are unhappy and always wanting to change are the men whom nobody wants. The men who are completely immersed in what they are doing are the men whom everybody is after." Is it not the truth?

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I am alone at this station now, but we are getting along fine. There is no time for loneliness. Our school opened on June 15 with fifty-five girls. We sent our whole senior class, except one, to the Anklesvar school, and all are happy there. Among those who went is one girl from the backward classes, who is the first one to be sent from this region.

We now have two little girls from among the fisher folk in our school. This is something new—the first fisher girls that ever have been in our Boarding School. Since you left India a few more have been baptized from among the fisher people at Bhat. The head master from there is attending this session of the Bible School, but he goes back once a month to look after the flock. Great things are in store for Bhat if we will just keep faith and be patient.

Friday is a busy day in our school. All the sewing classes are in session. If you do not believe it takes some time and preparation to keep fifty-five girls sewing for two hours in a stretch, just try it. All the poetry in the course is reviewed and sung on Fridays, so it's singing day as well as sewing day. At the end of the day's session, there are games and a general good time, for it's just different from other days. Our head master, whom I often call our Secretary of State, is right on the job, and all the other teachers are doing just fine. What could I do without them? Our matron has had a matrimonial "bug in her bonnet" the last while, and so she has not been as efficient as she might; but I have gotten her father and Nathalal after the affair, and so I expect things will settle down all right.

Sincerely yours, Eliza B. Miller.

BOOK REVIEW

The World in a Barn. Gertrude C. Warner. Price $1.25.

Leaders of Primaries will appreciate this new Home Mission Course. The stories are full of action, well illustrated, and easy to dramatize. Children will enjoy the stories because things really happen in the barn. With the help of Uncle Jack, who loves children and has traveled far, nine American children build toy villages of the homes of their visitors from Japan, China, the Philippines, and Alaska. With a few simple materials and an interested leader, a class of Primaries can make the toy villages also. The attractive binding, drawings, and colored illustrations, make this book a favorite with children of Primary and Junior age. Both entertaining and instructive.

GIRLS OF THREE LANDS

Prepared by Sara G. Replogle, Elizabeth Baker, and Ruth Mallott

(A conversation by student girls from India, Africa, and China in America)

Africa: Well, girls, here we are all together, and let's sit down and have a little talk. We all feel strange in this country.

China: I would like to know more about India and Africa.

Africa: And I have never seen a girl from China before.

India: I am so glad to see girls from Africa and China. How good it is for us to get together and learn about one another's country.

Africa: But, girls, when it comes to strange people, I think the Americans are the strangest. Look at the way they make their skin so white and flat. They must not like a shiny nose. Our people oil the skin and make it shine.

China. The Chinese girls powder and paint their faces more than these American girls do. We do not like dark skin. We oil our hair too.

India: The girls of India do not paint and powder but we do oil our hair. The more it shines the more attractive we think we are, and then, too, our hair looks so nice and smooth when it is oiled.

China: The American girls look like they

never comb their hair. I wonder how they get husbands.

Africa: Well, I like black skin. It has more color and it does not look so washed out. And these girls have such pinched up noses. In some ways I like American clothes. But my heart longs for the beautiful bright colors that we have. Why do they wear black and dark blue when they could buy pink and yellow?

China: We Chinese girls dare not wear bright colors in public, especially pink and green. Bright colors are worn only by small children and brides. We dress very modestly in public so as not to attract the attention of men.

India: We like bright colored clothes and are allowed to wear them except when we become widows; then not only the bright colored clothing must go, but we must give up our jewelry and our hair, as our heads are shaved when our husbands die.

Africa: We women in Africa are never called widows when our husbands die until we are very, very old—too old to bear children any more. We are always wanted in marriage.

India. In our country the girls are married very young. When our husbands die we become widows and are very much despised, and oh, how painful it is when we have to give up what few nice things we have and even our hair.

Africa: We love long hair too, but our hair is so kinky that it seldom hangs more than three or four inches long. Maaladwa Helser has such beautiful hair. It reaches to her knees. When I was a little girl at Garkidda I would hide behind a bush when the missionary girls washed their long hair. My heart longed for some like theirs.

India: When I came to America and saw so many girls with short hair, I felt so sorry for I thought they were widows and had their heads shaved and their hair was just growing out. I did not think that any girl would want to have her hair cut.

China: Is that the reason that the Indian Christian Council has asked that no Mission Boards send missionaries to India with short hair? It may be all right in America, but it does not fit India and China. The Chinese women have very long hair too. But the thing that seems strange to me is to see the young girls so frequently in the company of men without being carefully chaperoned. Sometimes I see them even taking hold of each other's hands when they meet and right on the street, too.

Africa: And, girls, did you ever see them put their mouths together and go "smack"?

India: Yes, I have. One of our people once saw that, and he thought that they were spitting in each other's mouth.

China: The Chinese people kiss each other if they really love each other but never when any one can see it. They never show affection of any kind in public. And it seems so vulgar to us.

Africa: One thing I covet and that is the American girl's beautiful clothes. Fathers and mothers do many things for her, and she can go to school and get an education and work without having to hoe on the farm all the time.

China: How happy the American girl must be, too, not to have to constantly be in fear of the evil spirits; to have had parents and grandparents that taught her of a God who loves instead of a god to be feared; who can choose for her own life and not have to follow the age old custom of her people and do just what her parents say without having any chance to choose for herself.

India: I wonder why some girls have been blessed more than others. It seems to me that if I were one of those happy girls I would want to help in making others happy. I have heard of some of these girls coming to our country and telling about Jesus who loves everybody, but why have they not come to us?

FREE TITHING LITERATURE

We hereby offer free, postage paid, to any minister or church worker who asks for the number needed, a sufficient quantity of the pamphlet "Winning Financial Freedom" to furnish one copy to every member of the official boards of his church and to the Presidents and Secretaries of both the Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies; also, a reasonable number for the more influential private members.

Please mention The Missionary Visitor.

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The Women's Department

Conducted by Nora M. Rhodes

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A Straight Way Toward Tomorrow

THROUGH our new mission study book by Mary Schauffler Platt runs the thought that children are the hope of the future. They are tomorrow in terms of today. If we come down to practical things in missionary work, is there anything more important for future development than the understanding of child problems and the way to solve them so that the men and women of the future may lift our torches high as we lay them down, and then be able to light other torches along the way?

Child Welfare. A glimpse of changed conditions since 1914 is given in the first chapter. Destructive forces have been at work, such as War, Infant Mortality, Child Labor, Ignorance, and Irreligion. Battling against these forces are the Orphanages, Health Programs, Protective Legislation, Christian Education, and a personal knowledge of God.

Shall it be a straight way? "Verily, it is not the will of our Father who is in heaven that any of these little ones should perish."

The Christian Home. If the world's children are to travel on a "straight way toward tomorrow," it is very evident that they should set out on the journey from a proper starting point. A Christian home for every child as the best starting point for life's journey shall be our aim and goal. The missionaries consider such an aim a vital part of their work. Many examples are given of what is being done in mission schools and higher institutions of learning toward training the future home-makers. Whatever principles of child care, study, and training are necessary for the best interests of American children, are necessary and adaptable to the needs of Zulu babies and Chinese boys and girls. The business of understanding and adapting is largely in the hands of the missionaries. How much do you know of the work of our own missionaries along these lines?

Books and Pictures. The Christian home and the growth of such homes in different lands, leads to the influence of literature. Do we realize how much of what we ourselves accomplish today is the result of what we have read in past years? It seems a cruel thing to teach boys and girls to read and study and then leave them at the beginning of young manhood and womanhood with no supply of good reading material. However, the reading problem is being solved in a small way in some countries by the publication of Christian books and magazines. China and Japan each have a magazine for their children, and India's children's magazine is printed in English and three vernacular editions. The women and children of Persia, Arabia, Siam, Korea, and the vast continent of Africa need the same gifts that are being received by those in India, China, and Japan.

"Give ye them something wholesome to read," seems to be the present command.

Religious Education. From earliest times, the races of men have practiced religious education as the method of teaching their children how to live. Where is there the religious sect that does not consider it a prime obligation to teach and train the young how to live in conformity to the observances of its beliefs? Religious education is the compass to the way of life; it is the heart and motive of all Christian missionary life in the light of the teachings of Jesus. The work at home is to prepare the minds of children today for Christian work tomorrow; in foreign lands the problem is

exactly the same. Mrs. Platt tells how and with what results this aim is being realized.

Our Christian sisters of China, Japan, India, and Africa are those on whom Christ chiefly depends for leading the women and little children of their own people into the "straight way toward tomorrow." Walking together on this way, the Christian women of many lands are learning to understand and appreciate each other as they share their experiences and knowledge of Christ.

Social Progress. Side by side with education goes social progress. In this age it is impossible to avoid the companionship of those whom we meet as we walk along life's pathway. In countries besides our own there is a wakening of social consciousness. In India, a spirit of reform is active. From Japan comes the same testimony. Social service centers have been established in Turkey, in South America, in the Philippines, in Japan, India, China, and the Near East. In these countries the service of Christian love and friendliness and the holding up of Christian ideals of life and sacrifice have had a wonderful influence. Christian principles are behind all efforts to spread social progress. Intemperance and vice are being stamped out. The woman's movement is emphasized all over the world.

World-Wide Friendship. "All the time, the faces of this generation of youth are turned toward that light which heralds the dawn of the perfect day, world-wide friendship. Christianity demands that no more shall nation go to war against nation. 'This is my commandment,' said our Lord, 'that ye love one another even as I have loved you.' True love, revealing itself in a friendship that reaches out beyond one's own personal circle to world-wide fellowship, is the great cure of war.

"A huge body of women in all lands, carrying the banner of the Cross, is working toward this end: coöperation, friendship, justice, and good will.

"Back of the women come the children, millions of them, with eager faces, bright eyes, willing hands, feet ready to walk in the 'straight way toward tomorrow,' if we give them a chance. Some are fair, and others olive-tinted; some are black, and others yellow or brown-skinned; they speak different tongues and eat diverse kinds of food; but they are ready and glad to serve."

Monthly Program Outline for Women's Missionary Societies

Text: A Straight Way Toward Tomorrow.
Chapter 2: The Christian Home.

1. Hymn: "Speak to My Soul."
2. Poem on home, or "Home, Sweet Home."
3. Devotions: Read "Our Ideal," page 40.
   Scripture: Prov. 31: 10-31.
   Prayers: (1) Thanksgiving for our homes.
   (2) Petition for all home life.
4. Let two women discuss the points on pages 38 and 39, and pages 48 to 53.
5. "Training the Trainer," a paper. Material on pages 37 to 48, and 53 to 59. Close with reading: "The Light in Darkest Africa," pages 59 and 60.
6. "The American Home," a five-minute talk leading up to sentence prayers by several for our own homes as Christian centers.
7. Hymn: "Take My Life and Let It Be, Consecrated, Lord, to Thee."

Birthdays of Our Women Missionaries

"Pray for us" is the prayer coming from all missionary hearts. Let the home women promote their prayer life by remembering our women missionaries on their birthdays. It will mean much to them to know that on these special days hundreds of women in America are praying for them.

Beginning with this number, the birthdays will be given monthly in advance with the thought that we may pray for these messengers that the name of the Lord Jesus may be glorified in them.

October 1—Mrs. Laura Cottrell, India
5—Mrs. Ruth Brooks, India
9—Elizabeth Baker, China—now on furlough
13—Mrs. Rebecca Wampler, China—now on furlough
16—Mrs. Lola Helser, Africa
21—Dr. Ida Metzger, India
Mrs. Nora Hollenberg, India—now on furlough
22—Minneva J. Neher, China
Mary E. Cline, China—now on furlough
Anetta Mow, India

24—Mrs. Anna Seese, China
27—Ida C. Shumaker, India
Ella Ebbert, India
30—Mrs. Ella Flohr, Africa
November 11—Mrs. Alice Ebey, India
12—Minerva Metzger, China
18—Eliza B. Miller, India
27—Ethel Roop, India

Please Stand By

The Juniors are familiar with the radio, and they will enjoy Margaret Applegarth's new book, "Please Stand By." There is Mr. Atlas and the Announcer and the Loud Speaker.

The Announcer begins: "Dear friends of the radio audience, this is Station WORD. In the first group of readings, called the Four Gospels, you are now to hear from famous authors. The Apostle John will speak first: 'God so loved the world that he gave his only Son that whosoever (red, black, yellow, brown, or white) believeth on him should not perish but have everlasting life.'" The spirit of the book is in those sentences.

The Loud Speaker gives an S O S call. It comes from Autumn Cloud who works in a Chinese match factory; from Miss Ten Thousand Ages of Bamboo Grass, tending the silk worms day after day in Japan; from Pomegranate Blossom, far off in Persia, only six years old and already weaving carpet.

Messages come in from missionaries, the Hurried Man and the Hurried Lady, who are trying to relieve suffering and heal the sick.

If the Juniors listen in, they will hear about the Bible women, and they will learn that "God does not make heathen; he just makes little children."

"In hearts too young for enmity
There lies the way to make men free;
When children's friendships are world-wide
New ages will be glorified.
Let child love child and strife will cease.
Disarm the hearts, for that is peace."

One hundred twenty-eight pages; price, paper cover 50c, cloth, 75c.

CHINA NOTES

(Continued from Page 334)

month that the Lord will keep you in peace and keep you in good health. The boys' and girls' schools will open the tenth of the seventh Lunar month (Aug. 8). It has been decided that Mrs. Ho, the pastor's wife, shall teach the girls' school and Miss Wu the kindergarten. The conditions for evangelistic work are a bit different now. The hearts of the people are a bit fearful, and they are not willing to come to worship on Sunday. However, when we go to their homes they are very glad to receive us. During the festival of the twenty-seventh of the fifth moon, for two weeks we did not go out any because we constantly had visitors from a distance to look around (the mission compound). After 'passing over' this festival we have been going out as usual to preach. Shansi also has had heavy rains and the crops are growing especially well. The air is fine and bracing so the hearts of the Shansi people are especially joyful. Everything is peaceful with the church people, so do not be anxious."

You never can tell in China what changes a few weeks may bring. About a month ago the Kuomingtang in Showyang gave the Christians tickets to their meetings. Just recently a letter came saying that there had been anti-Christian and anti-foreign demonstrations, the demonstrators marching up in front of the school and the church and shouting, "Down with the foreigners! Down with the Christians! Down with their following dogs!" This as well as other demonstrations, was instigated, no doubt, by Red propagandists.

A letter from Pastor Li of Taiyuan says that he has just returned from his home in Shantung where he had gone for a short vacation and to bring back his wife and child. But as railroad connections were cut off between Peking and Shansi, he was delayed over a month and was unable to bring his family. He said that he had to walk over sixty li (20 mi.), besides encountering other difficulties. But he seems to be glad to be back and is making new plans for the work of his church.

WHY SUFFERING?

A master of metaphor has made the complaining wax speak thus:

"Unaccountable, this!" said the wax, as from the flame it dropped melting upon the paper beneath.

"Do not grieve," said the paper. "I am sure it is all right!"

"I was never in such agony!" exclaimed the wax, still dropping.

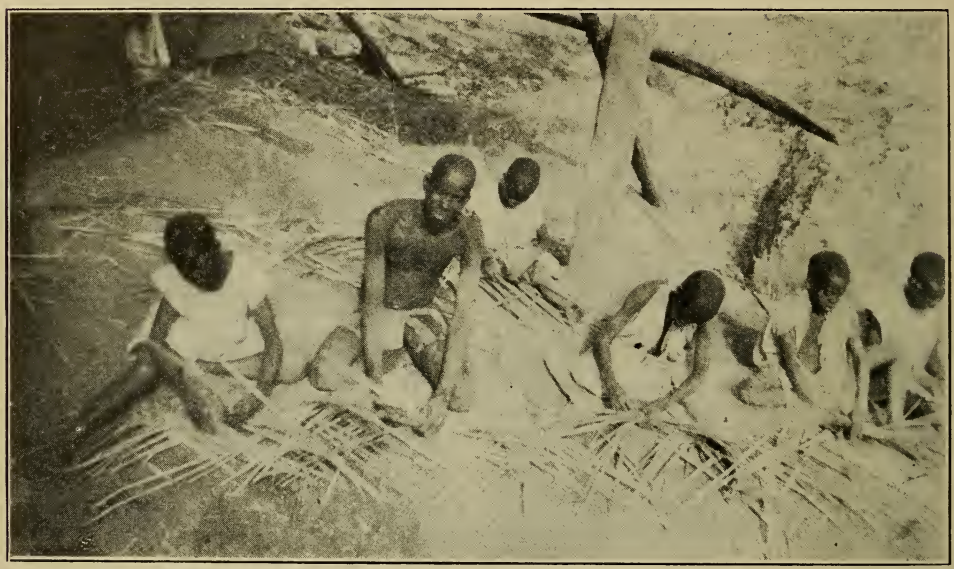
"It is not without a good design, and will end well," replied the paper.

The wax was unable to reply at once, and when it again looked up it bore a beautiful impression, the counterpart of the seal which had been applied to it.

"Ah, I understand now!" said the wax, no longer in suffering. "I was softened in order to receive this lovely durable impress."
—Record of Christian Work.



Conducted by Aunt Adalyn



Boys Weaving Mats in Africa

Our Industrious Black Brothers

AUNT ADALYN

Unmindful of the torrid blaze
And burden of long Afric days,
No shoes or knickers, hose or hats—
Watch "Our Black Brothers" weaving mats!

Quickly they learn the white man's lore,
Strange, wide-eyed tales recounted o'er
Of love, and peace, and tender care
Of One abiding everywhere.

Long have they waited for the news;
There seemed no better lot to choose.
Now they are learning how to smile,
With joy and hope their days beguile.

We may have shares in that bright task!
No gladder service may we ask;
Join hands, and stretch the circle far,
And "do your bit" just where you are!

We'll dig, and sow, and build, and plane,
And use our cheerful feet for gain;
Then tie it up with true love twine
And send it for a friendship sign.

Through sky and sea our prayers will wend,
As time and strength we blithely spend;
And for our gifts we'll have our pay
When "Our Black Brothers" look this way!

One Year Old

MAE WOLF

Registered Nurse in Our Dahanu Hospital, India

THE Dahanu Mission Hospital was one year old August 2, 1927. It was a pleasure to look over the records and find them such as I found. We were too busy to celebrate its first birthday.

Within this first year we had a total of one hundred twenty-one patients in the hospital. Twenty-seven were newborn babies, and six were orphan babies brought to us, four of whom are still with us and make many a busy day busier and yet on the other hand make work lighter with their cheery baby voices. Two of the orphans died. Besides these two deaths, we had three other ones, all being under twelve years of age. Twenty-three different castes have been in. One time the six-bed ward was full and each bed had a different caste. We have had no occasion to make any arrangements for women in purdah. Fifty-six of the one hundred twenty-one were Christian, eighteen Warli (low caste), fifteen Mohammedans, eleven Parsi, and nine were high caste Hindus called Luhana. We have had four of the Brahman caste.

Twenty of the twenty-seven babies were born in 1927, more than we ever have had in a whole year before we had the hospital. We have had eleven operations within the year. A Wesleyan Methodist missionary lady was our first European patient. Mrs. Kaylor and Baby Eilene were the first of our own mission family to be in the hospital. I could mention many other cases of interest to us, such as Gini and Katiji, our two burn cases that were with us three and five months respectively; Govind with his broken arm; Siravi, the poor woman who had been helpless and without care for months until she came under our care; the stories connected with our orphan babies Daya, Anand, Shanta, and Kesav, as well as many other cases. One could fill a book with interesting stories.

Besides the regular fees which a majority were able to pay, we received, as gifts, one hundred one rupees (about $30) for the hospital. Twenty-five were given by one Mohammedan woman who had an operation and found hospital life quite pleasant compared to a dirty dark room in the back of a house. In fact, that is what each patient would have been in if friends had not brought them here.

At present we have four Indian nurses. They moved into the new nurses' home in



Dr. Ida Metzger stands in the rear of this group of Dahanu Hospital folk

January. Miss Royer's Bible woman comes each day to tell a Bible story and pray with the patients, and when possible the nurses help with the singing. They also tell stories and sing aside from regular hours when not too busy. The second burn case I mentioned is still here. Her people have given her to us, it seems. She has asked for baptism, but she needs more teaching first.

We have remarked more than once how the high and low castes are coming to the hospital so willingly and are sending their friends in when possible.

The work in the dispensary has been averaging better the last year, making us more or less busy.

We have had many visitors coming in to see the hospital. The Deputation this year were our most distinguished guests.

May this account be interesting enough to give the children some idea how God has blessed their dollars earned so willingly for the women and children of India.

"We have dressed their wounds;
God has healed them."

May he receive all the praise.

A Thanksgiving Holiday at Ahwa

MRS. C. G. SHULL

It was Tuesday morning and the church bell was ringing! Soon people were seen carrying bags of grain in their hands, pumpkins on their heads, while others came with chickens. One little boy brought a kid and three men had difficulty in driving a lively calf down the road.

You ask what the ringing of a church bell may have to do with people coming home from the bazaar; but "the bazaar had not filled"—it was too early in the morning for that. This was Thanksgiving day and a thankful people were bringing their offerings.

There is a Hindu festival at this season of the year following the harvesting of crops. The first day of this festival the shopkeepers close their account books, stack up their money, smear it with colored powders and worship their goddess of wealth. This, however, is not the only feature of this festival. They have a tradition that a demon rules three days at this season of the year wherever no lamps are lit, so in every home in every room lamps are kept burning. The festival takes its name from this observance.

It was thought that this was the proper time for the Christians also to observe Thanksgiving, when the festive spirit was in the air. On account of our Mission Conference being at this time the day set was a little later; nevertheless, the children and people entered heartily into our preparations for Thanksgiving day, and called it the Christian's Divali.

Bro. Garner called on different people to read scripture passages referring to Thanksgiving. Then, after giving a talk on the duty of thankfulness, the offering was taken. Good crops had made the people really thankful and it was truly an impressive sight to see them bring their bags of grain, noisy chickens and other produce, and to know of the sacrifice it represented. Schoolboys gave a few coins from their earnings at grass cutting, a meager amount, you may think, but often it represented a tenth or more of what they had received for grass-cutting. The missionaries gave, too, but the people who "gave of their living" gave more.

A panch, a committee of five, was appointed to determine the price of the things brought. After they were sold the total offering was 61 rupees, a little more than twenty dollars.

Following this some speeches were made. A desire was expressed to have annually a Thanksgiving day at the Divali season. Also the thought was emphasized that at any time first-fruit offerings might be brought to our regular services. One Dangie Christian, who cannot read, called attention to the importance of having back of our giving a proper motive and a genuine Christian life. He said the Mohammedans build lovely tombs for their people when they die; they are beautiful to see but inside are full of decay and impurity.

In the evening a program was given by the school children. The parents always ap-

preciate seeing their children take part in any program, so fathers, mothers and little babies came, for was not this the Christian's Divali holiday?

HOW THEY DO IT

Dear Aunt Adalyn: Did you ever get one letter from ten people? The girls of the Junior Jewels class and the Golden Rule boys want to tell how they are earning missionary money this summer.

Two of the girls helped their father pump water for the cows, and also carry the milk to the house. They each gave two shining dollars not long ago. Ellen is working for her mother and daddy at little jobs they have for her. One of the boys bought a setting of eggs, and his chickens are growing fast getting ready for market. Two other boys who are twins have chickens too. Another is raising potatoes to sell (spuds, he says!) and the other three boys have a melon patch. We think it is fun to help other folks, and especially our Black Brothers in Africa.

We go to church at the schoolhouse. It is called Whitestone, after a beautiful mountain near by. We are all farm boys and girls and like to ride horseback. Our teachers' names are at the close of the letter.

Hazel Rothrock.
Blanche Hawkins.

Tonasket, Wash., Aug. 24, 1927.

Thank you, all ten of you (the whole dozen, really, counting teachers), for sending this cheerful description of your work. Or might you call it recreation? Sounds a little that way. Almost anything is jolly if you can make play out of it. Wouldn't you just love to have a romp with the black brothers, and teach them some of the games you learned at school?

General Mission Board.
Dear Sir:

We are sending you $8.85 for the African children. We earned it by selling Gospel Mottoes and Bro. Stover's books.

We hope it will go to help the African children to learn about Jesus.

Your friends,
Martha, Wilbur, Forrest and Ruth Stern,
Waddams Grove, Ill.



The Flag That Flies Highest of All

Juniors of the 1st Church, Philadelphia, who are working for Our Black Brothers. This picture was taken just after a pageant was given.

BY THE EVENING LAMP

Dear Juniors: Here I sit, all alone. Nobody ringing the doorbell, and not a sound, not even a mouse scampering. It looks as if I were going to have an hour for just thinking. Well, perhaps it is good that nobody came, for I really believe we are all of us getting too terribly busy to think. Our "thinker," you must admit, is the most important part of us, for it is the suggester, and guide, and judge of all our conduct.

Why all this hustling for our Black Brothers? Are you raising pigs and potatoes just because "everybody is doing it," and you want to be in the swim, and maybe get your name in the paper, or has there floated across the field of your mind the picture of a hot, dry place, with a lot of woolly-headed kiddies playing around dressed only in their shiny black skins, and living day after day like little animals, knowing nothing of the vast world of science, literature, morals, and God? What a chance to dig up that hard soil, plant the seeds you get in your own Sunday-school, and water them with love!

Love is a wonderful thing. People have been talking and writing about love for ages, but it can't be described. It has to be **lived** before anybody can understand it. It is a mystery, but it is the most powerful, the most beautiful thing in the world. It's just another name for God. And did you ever stop to think that if you love folks just as hard as you can, you are a little bit of God? That is cer-

tainly a lifting thought, and it ought to make us tread softly, like angels, with our heads in the clouds.

Of course we have to stoop down to pull weeds, and hoe, and drag people out of the gutter, but our souls need never stoop. "God made man upright," and if we slump over and forget our backbone, we shall lose some of our heavenly likeness. It is from the hilltops the soul gets its breath—where the clean winds sweep, and the thunder-storms of God's speeches wash away our little, selfish, envious thoughts. Lift up your heads, and with the great astronomer cry out, "O God, I think thy thoughts after thee!"

We are not the only people in the world, nor the most important. Here is where we differ from God—we do not judge accurately as to what or who is most worthy. But the more we absorb of that shining, tender, but intensely strong quality of God—**love**—the more accurately we can gauge our fellows, and we will not always mark them zero, either. Our own grades will be more sharply blue-pencilled, and the whole world will look different. We shall feel as if we were standing in the vestibule, separated from heaven only by the door made of one big pearl! Aunt Adalyn.

NUTS TO CRACK

Countries Where We Have No Missionaries

1. She sent Frances to the store.
2. Do not give the typhoid germ any chances.
3. To take out the color give it a lye bath.
4. The sick boy said his pain was severe.
5. I knew you would not agree, Celia.
6. He wore slippers; I am sure of that.
7. The dictionary says a tun is a wine cask.
8. Take the evening paper up to the library.
9. Following the path I betook myself to the woods.
10. John and his mascot landed safely in the parachute.
11. She had a lovely trip, Olive reported.
12. That striped horse is a zebra, Zilpha.

Some Brethren Missionaries with a Headache

1. Ham neck.
2. Tall Tom.
3. He licks.
4. R, let colt.
5. A grown E.
6. Ten rink.
7. Lo, C. Polk.
8. F her faces.
9. Nor nigh.
10. Pew marl.
11. Anna Vim.
12. Bake burr.

(Answers next month)

SEPTEMBER NUTS CRACKED

Hidden Crops.—1. Wheat. 2. Oats. 3. Barley. 4. Rye. 5. Timothy. 6. Clover. 7. Corn. 8. Rice.

Hidden Word.—September.

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One thousand nine hundred and eighty-seven children have signed up to work for "Our Black Brothers" in Africa this year. All of these children have received J C L (Junior Church League) badges. All other children who are working should send their names to General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill., % Black Brothers Dept., so badges and literature may be sent to you.



Stanley, Wis., Vacation Bible School

These children of Stanley worked for Our Black Brothers during the time of their Bible School. They ran errands, hoed potatoes, washed dishes and took care of babies to help the missionary cause.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Conference Offering, 1927. As of August 31, 1927, the Conference (Budget) offering for the year ending February 29, 1928, stands as follows:
Cash received since March 1, 1927, ...$133,428.22
(The 1927 Budget of $408,300.00 is 32.7% raised, whereas it should be 50%.)

Mission Board Treasury Statement. The following shows the condition of mission finances on August 31, 1927:

Income since March 1, 1927,	$147,090.46
Income same period last year,	152,620.85
Expense since March 1, 1927,	184,634.52
Expense same period last year,	154,777.04
Mission deficit August 31, 1927,	46,428.67
Mission deficit July 31, 1927,	33,016.69
Increase in deficit for August, 1927,	13,411.98

Tract Distribution: During the month of July the Board sent out 740 doctrinal tracts.

Correction No. 16: See September, 1926, Visitor under Conference Budget in credit of $83.97 to Shippensburg Congregation, Southern Pennsylvania. $75.00 of it should have been as for India Share plan.

July Receipts: The following contributions for the various funds were received during July:

WORLD-WIDE MISSIONS

California—$83.54
No. Dist., Cong.: Empire, $26; Mrs. & Mr. S. E. Getty (Fresno) $2; Lorell Weiss (Laton) $5; S. S.: Modesto, $16.41; Live Oak, $2.74, ... 52.15
So. Dist., S. S.: Glendale, $18.39; Indv.: Brother & Sister C. H. Sheets, $13, ... 31.39

Florida—$10.34
Cong.: Seneca, $4.34; Arcadia, $5.50; B. C. Whitmore (M. N.) (Sebring) $.50, ... 10.34

Illinois—$244.05
No. Dist., Cong.: Elgin, $17.65; Mt. Morris, $11.75; Geo. K. Miller (Waddams Grove) $4; XX and Wife (Elgin) $35; S. S.: Louisa (Waddams Grove) $17.98; Sterling, $7.31, ... 93.69
So. Dist., Cong.: Romine, $3.37; Girard, $82.04; Decatur, Cerro Gordo, Oakley, La-Place & Centennial, $32.13; LaMotte Prairie, $13.83; Virden, $1.72; Mrs. Allie Eisenbise (Springfield) $2; Clara Steiner (Champaign) $10; Y. P. D.: Woodland, $5.27, ... 150.36

Indiana—$103.41
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Clear Creek, $27.95; Pipe Creek, $8.16; Rev. C. Walter Warstler (M. N.) (Huntington) $2.50, ... 38.61
No. Dist., Cong.: Blue River, $3; Wakarusa, $15; Chas. C. Cripe (M. N.) (Bremen) $.50; S. S.: Sec. So. Bend, $6.17, ... 24.67
So. Dist., Cong.: Anderson, ... 40.13

Iowa—$128.34
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Cedar, $3.19; Brooklyn, $16.16; W. I. Buckingham (Prairie City) $3; S. S.: Panora (Coon River) $15; D. V. B. S.: Beaver, $13.60, ... 50.95
No. Dist., Cong.: Willow Creek, $12.06; Waterloo City (So. Waterloo) $50; S. S.: Waterloo City (So. Waterloo) $10, ... 72.06
So. Dist., S. S.: Franklin, ... 5.33

Kansas—$143.53
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Navarre, $75; Morrill, $21.97; Earl M. Frantz (M. N.) (Sabetha) $.50; W. H. Yoder (M. N.) (Morrill) $.50; Mrs. J. F. Shoemaker (Appanoose) $10; S. S.: Young People (Richland Center) $3.80; Topeka, $20.16, ... 131.93
S. W. Dist., S. S.: Larned Rural, ... 11.60

Maryland—$101.29
E. Dist., Cong.: Grossnickel (Middletown Valley) $50; S. S.: Blue Ridge College (Pipe Creek) $33.74; Pleasant Hill (Bush Creek) $2; Indv.: L. R. Brumbaugh (M. N.) $.50; Geo. A. Early (M. N.) $.50, ... 86.74
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. E. J. Egan (Hagerstown), ... 4.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Georges Creek, ... 10.55

Michigan—$31.64
Cong.: Zion, $5.30; Onekama, $7.60; S. S.: Grand Rapids, $5.30; D. V. B. S.: New Haven, $10.94; Indv.: Mrs. Amanda Sielske, $2; W. H. Meyers (M. N.) $.50, ... 31.64

Minnesota—$8.98
S. S.: Bethel, ... 8.98

Missouri—$61.37
No. Dist., Cong.: Rockingham, ... 16.37
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Springdale, ... 45.00

Nebraska—$23.86
Cong.: Enders, $11.54; Lincoln, $2.92; Octavia, $4.95; D. V. B. S.: Afton, $4.45, ... 23.86

North Dakota—$15.00
Cong.: Egeland, ... 15.00

Ohio—$517.36
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Bethel, $15; Woodworth, $10; Maple Ave. Mission (Canton) $2.25; No. 99338 (Hartville) $100, ... 127.25
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Sugar Creek, $10.38; Dupont, $4.20; S. S.: Ross, $2.50; No. Poplar Ridge, $12.78, ... 29.86
So. Dist., Cong.: Beech Grove, $5; Bear Creek, $11; West Dayton, $235.59; S. S.: Circleville, $3.50; Pleasant Hill, $30.03; West Milton, $20.67; Happy Corner (Lower Stillwater) $28.10; Greenville, $23; Harris Creek, $3.36, ... 360.25

Oklahoma—$4.00
Indv.: Bertha Ryan Shirk, ... 4.00

Pennsylvania—$1,457.61
E. Dist., Cong.: Spring Creek, $14.89; Missionary Meeting, Decoration Day, Indian Creek, $36.27; Missionary Meeting, Ascension Day, Heidelberg, $107.10; Fredericksburg, $3; A Brother (Indian Creek) $20; Unknown donor (Elizabethtown) $1; S. S.: Mountville, $36.62; Mechanic Grove, $54.90; Indian Creek, $23; E. Fairview, $17.04; Spring Creek, $2.55; E. Petersburg, $7.96; Myerstown, $10; Heidelberg, $18.60; Harrisburg, $7; Hatfield, $46.05; Ephrata, $16.79; So. Annville (Annville) $28.62; Jennersville, $25; Aid Soc.: Myerstown, $10, ... 486.39
Mid. Dist., Cong.: 28th St. Altoona, $40.64; Lewistown, $91.61; Mary A. Kinsey (Dunnings Creek) $10; H. E. Wakefield (Aughwick) $5; S. S.: Curryville (Woodbury) $6.28; Sugar Run (Aughwick) $2.71; James Creek. $3.89; Cherry Lane, $3.75; Dry Valley, $6.59; Rockhill (Aughwick) $4.41; "Hustlers" Class (Snake Spring) $20; Aid Soc.: Missionary Society (1st Altoona) $3, ... 197.88
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Royersford, $10; Germantown, $35.15; Bethany, $100; S. S.: Quakertown, $13; Indv.: Carrie Gary, $2, ... 160.15
So. Dist., Cong.: Chambersburg, $2.90; S. S.: New Fairview, $23.42; Pleasant Hill (Codorus) $3.82; Mechanicsburg, $14.62; Melrose (Upper Codorus) $5; Hanover, $6.29, ... 56.05
W. Dist., Cong.: Rockton, $7.55; Esther Block (Johnstown) $5; W. L. Brougher (Walnut Grove-Johnstown) $500; H. C. Hess

(M. N.) (Rockton) $.50; S. S.: Diamondsville (Manor) $2.77; Plum Creek, $20.32; D. V. B. S.: Mt. Joy, $21, ... 557.14

Tennessee—$5.00
Cong.: Limestone, ... 5.00

Texas—$5.00
Indv.: A. L. Patrick, ... 5.00

Virginia—$58.13
E. Dist., Cong.: Mt. Carmel, ... 6.92
First Dist., Cong.: Antioch, $25; Mrs. Sallie F. Pursley (Mt. Joy) $4.50, ... 29.50
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Geo. R. Robertson (Chimney Run), ... 6.50
So. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Pauline Nolley (Christiansburg) $10; S. S.: Schoolfield, $5.21, ... 15.21

Washington—$27.02
Cong.: Okanogan Valley, $17.02; Indv.: Susie E. Reber, $10, ... 27.02

West Virginia—$17.00
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Shiloh, $5; Sadie Davis (Beans Chapel) $5; Linnie Rowe (Valley River) $2; Indv.: J. F. Ross, $5, ... 17.00

Wisconsin—$2.04
S. S.: Oak Park (Rice Lake), ... 2.04
Aid Society Sale and Exhibit at Hershey Conference, ... 312.40

Total for the month, ...$ 3,360.91
Total previously reported, ... 19,022.65

Total for the year, ...$22,383.56

STUDENT FELLOWSHIP FUND—1926-27

Africa—$10.00
Indv.: Clara Harper, ... 10.00

Illinois—$124.50
No. Dist., Student Volunteer Bank of Mt. Morris College, ... 124.50

Maryland—$2.00
E. Dist., Student Volunteers of Blue Ridge College, ... 2.00

Total for the month, ...$ 136.50
Total previously reported, ... 1,480.39

Total for the year, ...$ 1,616.89

AID SOCIETY FOREIGN MISSION FUND

Maryland—$35.00
E. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 35.00

Total for the month, ...$ 35.00
Total previously reported, ... 2,790.12

Total for the year, ...$ 2,825.12

B. Y. P. D. FUND—1927-1928

Illinois—$20.00
No. Dist., Y. P. D.: First Chicago, ... 20.00

Oregon—$7.75
Y. P. D.: Albany, ... 7.75

Washington—$14.00
B. Y. P. D.: Omak, ... 14.00

Total for the month, ...$ 41.75
Total previously reported, ... 336.32

Total for the year, ...$ 378.07

HOME MISSIONS

Illinois—$1.30
No. Dist., Cong.: Mt. Morris, ... 1.30

Indiana—$10.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Miss Zella Parrett (1st So. Bend), ... 10.00

Iowa—$20.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Beaver, ... 20.00

Kansas—$34.50
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Galesburg, ... 34.50

Maryland—$10.00
W. Dist., Cong.: C. H. Merrill (Oak Grove) 10.00

Tennessee—$20.00
Cong.: M. Wine (Fruitdale), ... 20.00

Virginia—$3.00
First Dist., Cong.: N. E. Lintecum (Crab Orchard), ... 3.00

Total for the month, ...$ 98.80
Total previously reported, ... 159.27

Total for the year, ...$ 258.07

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Ohio—$4.03
So. Dist., Cong.: Middletown, ... 4.03

Pennsylvania—$5.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Mary Knippel (Queen), 5.00

Total for the month, ...$ 9.03
Total previously reported, ... 1,817.94

Total for the year, ...$ 1,826.97

GREENE COUNTY, VIRGINIA, MISSION

Florida—$5.00
S. S.: Junior Class (Orlando), ... 5.00

Minnesota—$18.93
Cong.: Worthington, $9.07; D. V. B. S.: Worthington, $9.86, ... 18.93

Oklahoma—$5.00
Cong.: Mrs. Ellen Garst (Bartlesville), .. 5.00

Pennsylvania—$20.00
S. E. Dist., S. S. Royersford, ... 20.00

Virginia—$29.00
E. Dist., Congregations, ... 29.00

Total for the month, ...$ 77.93
Total previously reported, ... 165.11

Total for the year, ...$ 243.04

JUNIOR LEAGUE—1927

California—$7.17
No. Dist., C. W. S.: Juniors, Chico, $1.10; D. V. B. S.: Laton, $6.07, ... 7.17

Illinois—$9.42
No. Dist., D. V. B. S.: Cherry Grove, .. 9.42

Indiana—$13.47
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Beaver Creek, ... 8.47
No. Dist., S. S.: Intermediate Girls' Class (LaPorte), ... 5.00

Iowa—$71.65
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Bluebird Class (Panther Creek) $31.15; D. V. B. S.: Panther Creek, $40.50, ... 71.65

Pennsylvania—$15.86
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Intermediate Soc. (Huntingdon) $1.86; Junior League (Stonerstown) $4, ... 5.86
So. Dist., Cong.: Frances E. Shaffer (Upper Conewago), ... 10.00

Total for the month, ...$ 117.57
Total previously reported, ... 40.95

Total for the year, ...$ 158.52

INDIA MISSION

Indiana—$9.22
So. Dist., S. S.: "Busy Bees" Class Antioch (Killbuck), ... 9.22

Nebraska—$5.00
Cong.: Silver Lake, ... 5.00

Ohio—$300.00
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Hartville (Ford), ... 300.00

Pennsylvania—$233.74
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Royersford, $10; S. S.: Royersford, $213.74, ... 223.74

Tennessee—$20.00
Cong.: M. Wine (Fruitdale), ... 20.00

Total for the month, ...$ 557.96
Total previously reported, ... 495.44

Total for the year, ...$ 1,053.40

INDIA NATIVE WORKER

California—$15.00
So. Dist., Indv.: Esther LaFallette, ... 15.00

Ohio—$40.00

N. W. Dist., Aid Soc.: Pleasant View, .. 25.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Greenville, ... 15.00

Virginia—$20.00
Sec. Dist., Aid Soc.: Bridgewater, ... 20.00

Total for the month, ...$ 75.00
Total previously reported, ... 260.00

Total for the year, ...$ 335.00

INDIA BOARDING SCHOOL

Indiana—$41.00
So. Dist., Cong.: David E. & Anna Etta Wagoner (Fairview), ... 41.00

Pennsylvania—$103.76
E. Dist., Cong.: Ridgely, $2.61; S. S.: Character Builder's Class, Midway, $12, ... 14.61
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Shining Star Class, Lewistown, ... 25.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Hanover, $21.65; Alpha Class, Carlisle, $25, ... 46.65
W. Dist., S. S.: Maple Glen, ... 17.50

Total for the month, ...$ 144.76
Total previously reported, ... 291.05

Total for the year, ...$ 435.81

INDIA SHARE PLAN

California—$25.00
So. Dist., Cong.: J. Z. & Ida B. Gibbel (Pasadena), ... 25.00

Illinois—$40.00
No. Dist., S. S.: "Hope Circle" Class, Cherry Grove, $15; "Faithful Workers," Franklin Grove, $25, ... 40.00

Maryland—$25.00
E. Dist., S. S.: "Berean Class" Blue Ridge (Pipe Creek), ... 25.00

Ohio—$52.50
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Woodworth, $20; Bethel, $20; S. S.: Gleaners' Class, Springfield, $6.25, ... 46.25
So. Dist., S. S.: Happy Corner (Lower Stillwater), ... 6.25

Pennsylvania—$62.00
E. Dist., S. S.: "Sunshine Class" Indian Creek, $12; "Willing Workers" Class, Hatfield, $12.50, ... 24.50
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Wm. P. Keim & Wife (Harmonyville), ... 25.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Eld. B. F. and Ida M. Lightner (Marsh Creek), ... 12.50

Total for the month, ...$ 204.50
Total previously reported, ... 1,880.75

$ 2,085.25
Correction No. 16, ... 75.00

Total for the year, ...$ 2,160.25

INDIA HOSPITAL

Oregon—$6.40
S. S.: Portland, ... 6.40

Total for the month, ...$ 6.40
Total previously reported, ... 84.50

Total for the year, ...$ 90.90

CHINA MISSION

Idaho—$3.63
S. S.: Winchester, ... 3.63

Missouri—$15.15
No. Dist., D. V. B. S.: Rockingham, ... 15.15

Nebraska—$5.00
Cong.: Silver Lake, ... 5.00

Pennsylvania—$78.25
E. Dist., S. S.: Elizabethtown, ... 76.25
So. Dist., Cong.: A Sister (Upper Conewago), ... 2.00

Tennessee—$20.00
Cong.: M. Wine (Fruitdale), ... 20.00

Total for the month, ...$ 122.03
Total previously reported, ... 1,073.25

Total for the year, ...$ 1,195.28

CHINA NATIVE WORKER

Missouri—$14.65
No. Dist., Cong.: Wakenda, ... 14.65

Total for the month, ...$ 14.65
Total previously reported, ... 71.94

Total for the year, ...$ 86.59

CHINA BOYS' SCHOOL

Missouri—$1.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Wakenda, ... 1.00

Total for the month, ...$ 1.00
Total previously reported, ... 23.03

Total for the year, ...$ 24.03

CHINA SHARE PLAN

California—$10.30
So. Dist., S. S.: Hermosa Beach, ... 10.30

Total for the month, ... 10.30
Total previously reported, ... 843.88

Total for the year, ...$ 854.18

SWEDEN MISSION

Maryland—$8.00
E. Dist., S. S.: Gleaners' Class (Meadow Branch), ... 8.00

Total for the month, ...$ 8.00
Total previously reported, ... 18.95

Total for the year, ...$ 26.95

AFRICA MISSION

California—$11.64
No. Dist., Cong.: Butte Valley, ... 11.64

Colorado—$5.00
E. Dist., D. V. B. S.: Denver, ... 5.00

Idaho—$6.00
Indv.: Wm. W. Riddlebarger & Wife, .. 6.00

Illinois—$2.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Cathrine McNutt (Shannon), ... 2.00

Indiana—$14.87
No. Dist., D. V. B. S.: Bremen, $7.05; B. Y. P. D.: Cabinet, $7.82, ... 14.87

Kansas—$5.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: In memory of the Wife and Mother of W. H. & Olin Sell (Fredonia), ... 5.00

Maryland—$57.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Altruistic Class, Hagerstown, ... 50.00
W. Dist., D. V. B. S.: Fairview, ... 7.00

Nebraska—$3.15
B. Y. P. D. Seniors: Octavia, ... 3.15

North Dakota—$15.65
D. V. B. S.: Zion, ... 15.65

Ohio—$29.66
N. E. Dist., Cong.: E. Nimishillen, $16.39; D. V. B. S.: Goshen, $3.27, ... 19.66
So. Dist., S. S.: Mothers and Daughters' Class (Brooksville), ... 10.00

Oklahoma—$25.00
Aid Soc.: Washita, ... 25.00

Oregon—$7.25
Cong.: Portland, ... 7.25

Pennsylvania—$214.41
E. Dist., Cong.: Ridgely, $18.95; Simon P. Shirk (Springville) $15; Bernice Gibbel (Lancaster) $10; D. V. B. S.: E. Petersburg, $15.23, ... 59.18
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Royersford, $9.60; S. S.: Royersford, $138.40, ... 148.00
W. Dist., D. V. B. S.: Georges Creek (Fair View), ... 7.23

Tennessee—$20.00
Cong.: M. Wine (Fruitdale), ... 20.00

Total for the month, ...$ 416.63
Total previously reported, ... 1,581.24

Total for the year, ...$ 1,997.87

AFRICA SHARE PLAN

Ohio—$12.50
N. W. Dist., S. S.: Young People's Class (Oak Grove-Rome), ... 12.50

Washington—$4.20
S. S.: Forest Center, ... 4.20

Total for the month, ...$ 16.70
Total previously reported, ... 316.70

Total for the year, ...$ 333.40

MINISTERIAL AND MISSIONARY RELIEF

Pennsylvania—$3.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: J. M. Pittenger (Huntingdon), ... 3.00

Total for the month, ...$ 3.00
Total previously reported, ... 28.50

Total for the year, ...$ 31.50

NEAR EAST RELIEF

Oregon—$2.20
Cong.: Grants Pass, ... 2.20

Pennsylvania—$65.65
E. Dist., Cong.: Spring Creek, ... 25.65
W. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Elizabeth Mills (Walnut Grove-Johnstown) $5; S. S.: Walnut Grove (Johnstown) $35, ... 40.00

Total for the month, ...$ 67.85
Total previously reported, ... 440.89

Total for the year, ...$ 508.74

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY FLOOD RELIEF

Pennsylvania—$42.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Huntingdon, ... 2.00
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Royersford, ... 40.00

Total for the month, ...$ 42.00
Total previously reported, ... 580.83

Total for the year, ...$ 622.83

CONFERENCE BUDGET

Canada—$5.00
Indv.: Mrs. W. H. Stutsman, ... 5.00

California—$3.60
No. Dist., S. S.: Patterson, ... 3.60

Illinois—$13.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Liberty, $11; Indv.: Mrs. J. H. Neal, $2, ... 13.00

Indiana—$104.00
No. Dist., Cong.: New Paris, $35; Osceola, $56; Nappanee, $3; Wakarusa, $10, ... 104.00

Kansas—$7.00
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Peabody, ... 7.00

Maryland—$30.00
E. Dist., Cong.: New Windsor (Pipe Creek) $25; Mrs. A. W. Ecker (Thurmont) $5, ... 30.00

Missouri—$26.30
No. Dist., Cong.: Shelby County, ... 26.30

Ohio—$22.80
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Deshler, $1; Rome, $17, ... 18.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Marble Furnace, ... 4.80

Pennsylvania—$180.85
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Yellow Creek, ... 10.85
W. Dist., Cong.: Salisbury, $20; Sarah Akin (Plum Creek) $150, ... 170.00

Washington—$7.50
Cong.: No. Spokane, ... 7.50

West Virginia—$4.00
Sec. Dist., Indv.: Jesse Judy, ... 4.00

Total for the month, ...$ 404.05
Total previously reported, ... 56,308.56

56,712.61
Correction No. 16, ... 75.00

Total for the year, ...$56,637.61

CONFERENCE BUDGET DESIGNATED

Louisiana—$6.45
S. S.: Roanoke, ... 6.45

Total for the month, ...$ 6.45
Total previously reported, ... 60.32

Total for the year, ...$ 66.77

MARCH WORLD SERVICE—1927-28

California—$100.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Edmund Taylor (San Diego), ... 100.00

Pennsylvania—$25.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Arnold H. Francis (Greentree), ... 25.00

Total for the month, ...$ 125.00
Total previously reported, ... 1,260.00

Total for the year, ...$ 1,385.00

MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

California—$112.34
So. Dist., La Verne Cong. for Ernest Vaniman and wife and Lynn Blickenstaff and wife, $62.34; Ira Butterbaugh (La Verne) for A. G. Butterbaugh, $50, ... 112.34

Idaho—$185.63
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Shisler, Sara, 1926

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Shickel, Elsie, 1921
Woods, Beulah, 1924

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Blickenstaff, Lynn A., and Mary, 1920
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Brumbaugh, Anna B., 1919
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Shumaker, Ida C., 1910
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Metzger, Dr. Ida, 1925
Nickey, Dr. Barbara M., 1915
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Wolf, L. Mae, 1922

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Miller, Eliza B., 1900

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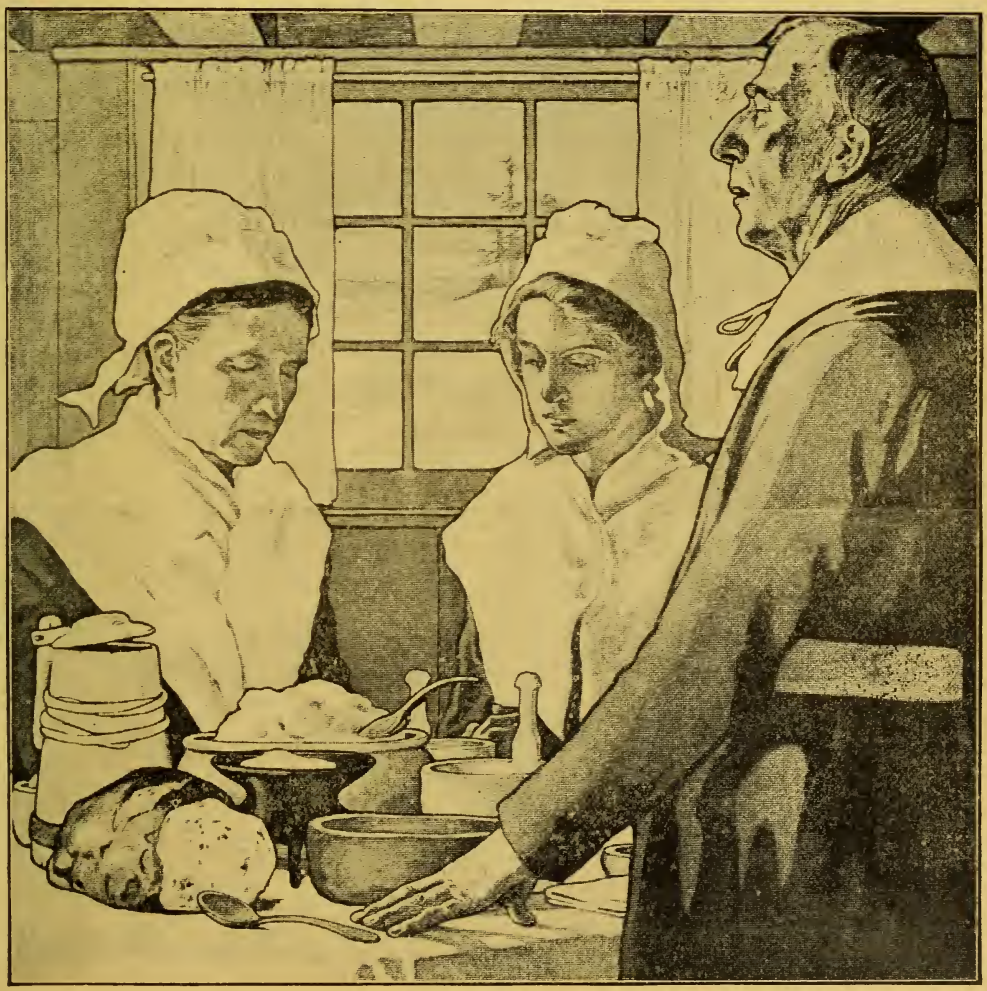
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EVANGELISM

"Evangelism is the offer not only of what we see in Christ but of what in him is more than we see—what we worship—what he is; the love that is larger than our love; the only love that is large enough to embrace the world."

P. Whitwell Wilson.

Obedience

George MacDonald

I said: "Let me walk in the fields."
He said: "No, walk in the town."
I said: "There are no flowers there."
He said: "No flowers, but a crown."

I said: "The skies are black:
There is nothing but noise and din."
And he wept as he sent me back—
"There is more," he said: "there is sin."

I said: "But the air is thick,
And fogs are veiling the sun."
He answered: "Yet souls are sick,
And souls in the dark undone!"

I said: "I shall miss the light,
And friends will miss me, they say."
He answered: "Choose tonight
If I am to miss you or they."

I pleaded for time to be given;
He said: "Is it hard to decide?
It will not seem hard in heaven
To have followed the steps of your Guide."

I cast one look at the fields,
Then set my face to the town:
He said, "My child, do you yield?
Will you leave the flowers for the crown?"

Then into his hand went mine;
And into my heart came he;
And I walk in a light divine,
The path I had feared to see.

Let's Celebrate

Florence Wieand Noffsinger

AGAIN Thanksgiving Day is proclaimed as a national holiday by our President, and observed by every good American, and true. While its present form is distinctly an American holiday, we can trace its origin back through the ages to the Holland Dutch, English, Romans, Ancient Grecians, Hebrews, and also the Canaanites from whom the children of Israel copied many of their customs.

More important, however, than the history of Thanksgiving, is to analyze whether the present-day observance of it is worth-while. With the pace of the world and the rapidity of change in our modern life, our reactions are largely secular to a day intended originally to be religiously observed. Living in a transitional era, as we do, we may be partially blind to spiritual values of the day. We are told that this is an age of moral depravity, of religious deterioration; an age in which can be found no great outstanding leader. Sympathy and pity of the days of Anatole France are not typical of this age; our emotions seem colder and more generalized than fifty years ago.

Granting the above to be true, what shall we do to call a halt? Is religion a natural thing, after all? It is not only natural, but inevitable. Sabatier says that man is incurably religious. The question is not, Are you religious? but, What kind of religion do you have? Is your religion the kind that expresses itself in thankfulness for your prosperity and comfort by generous sharing? Does it inspire you to brighten the poor man's home on this symbolically happy day, Thanksgiving? Do you find neither peace nor rest until you have comforted forsaken children, protected innocent girls from misery and scandal, prevented families from shivering for want of protection or falling over the precipice of starvation? Are you spurred to help give others of the world a chance to feel Christ's loving arms around them and hear his tender voice speak words of hope and comfort?

If you heed the call echoing and reëchoing to you at home and from abroad, at this Thanksgiving season, to share blessings loaned to you, your gratefulness on this day will be real and your praises reach Heaven; for, "inasmuch as you do it unto one of the least of these, . . . you have done it unto me." The test of love and appreciation of a Higher Power is expressed by love in action toward fellow-men. What are you as a thankful person willing to do?

Have you had a blessing given?
Pass it on.
'Twas not given to you alone—
Pass it on.
Let it travel down the years,
Let it wipe another's tears,
Till in heaven the deed appears—
Pass it on.

Washington, D. C.

"Whither Bound in Home Missions?"

M. CLYDE HORST
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Chairman Home Missions Advisory Council

THE development of Home Missions in the Church of the Brethren seems to present an orderly progress. Briefly sketched, it includes the days of exclusively individual and congregational initiative, District organization, general organization, conferences of District and General Board members at Annual Meeting, and finally the creation of the Home Department of the General Board, with its secretary, and Advisory Council. In view of the direction in which these activities are moving, the question, "Whither Bound," is a natural one, and should be thoughtfully answered.

In the first place, it may be said that the popularization of the Home Mission enterprise is an objective. It is desired to place around the home missionary more of the halo that encircles the foreign worker in the ordinary imagination. In the days of the frontier and volunteer service, such a thing did exist, especially with reference to a few daring spirits, but in the maze of modern method and policy, made necessary by new conditions, professionalism has displaced much of the old-time fervor and power. It is desired that the "Here am I, send me," response answer more frequently to the challenge of home fields.

> *"The Light that shines farthest shines brightest at home."*

In order that workers and money may be given more freely for the home enterprise, attention must be given to the technique of modern Home Mission work. Administrators must evolve such policies and methods as will spell efficiency and bring results. Money and energy have been dissipated in barren fields and legalistic bondage, causing discouragement and even despair among the workers and supporters of the enterprise. It is hoped to reduce such tragedies to a minimum in the future by a suitable standardization program.

It is becoming more and more apparent that the Home Mission enterprise is one common to all the Districts and churches, and that the field is one. While the conservation of individual, congregational and District contacts and interests makes for that concreteness which insures enthusiasm, seeing the task as a whole makes for unity and order in the whole campaign. Home mission wisdom should be a unity, even if resources be never wholly pooled.

Recognition of the principle that the Home Mission work of all the churches of Christ is really one, is also growing. In harmony with this ideal, more effort is being made to confine operations to really unoccupied fields, and needless competition is coming to appear unchristian—a waste of the Lord's resources. The evangelization of North America, rather than mere sectarian promotion, is the ideal, and this can be followed, too, without denominational disloyalty. We win more respect for ourselves and doctrine by this attitude than by the one that appears selfish and bigoted to the present generation.

The home base must be strengthened in order to forestall retrenchment in foreign lands. This can be best accomplished where our most fruitful opportunities lie. It is not always the new fields that bring the largest returns. Sometimes an abandoned field in a community with a Brethren background is our best Home Mission territory. There are fields and types of work for which we are not as yet fitted. Wisdom would dictate that we labor where the harvest is ripe, where the numerical and spiritual returns are

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The Place of Home Missions

J. W. LEAR
Director Council of Promotion

CHURCH extension is achieved by service, both divine and human, and most of it by hard service. He that takes hold of the steering wheel and gawks about



J. W. Lear

is unfitted to drive an auto. The constant look ahead is essential. Worthy causes are achieved by eternal vigilance. He that withholds his sympathy and service in sowing time shall lose the joy of reaping. The cross signifies divine service. Each follower has a cross. "Whosoever doth not bear his own cross, and come after me cannot be my disciple."—Jesus.

"Must Jesus bear the cross alone,
And all the world go free?
No, there's a cross for every one
And there's a cross for me."

Church people should produce a soul-winning atmosphere. The disciple is not above his teacher. The teacher's desire determines the desire of his followers. We have a baptism to be baptized with, and how will we be straitened till it be accomplished! Our Brotherhood should be dedicated to the task of spreading the "Good News." An utter abandon to the Master's "Go ye" will be experienced only by those "athirst for God." Such folks are willing to go to the front at any cost.

While the divine commission has no boundary limits, the home field dare not be neglected. In fact, the home base should have attention first. This plan is Biblical. "Go first to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." In the last commission, Jesus said, "That repentance and remissions of sins should be preached in his name unto all nations beginning from Jerusalem." Our Lord was methodical and divinely prophetic, and he knew the importance of a strong home base.

Some of the reasons why Home Missions should have first place in the church program:

First, the contributions for the foreign work, both in men and money, will be measured by our strength at home. Suppose we had grown at home during these two hundred years as has the Disciples Church. In that event we could now undertake ten times the present budget in the foreign field. How gladly would we enlarge our foreign work instead of retrenching!—but our small home base hinders. Some one has said that if the Brethren Church through the years had kept what belonged to her by right of birth, we would number a million strong. If this be true, it sounds as though we had not faithfully husbanded the home base.

Second, we have been largely a rural people. No doubt this fact, as much as anything else, has contributed to our financial thrift and our moral fiber. We have reason to pause, ponder and pray, however, in that very many of our rural churches are on the decline. So rapid and continuous has this weakening process gone on that whole Districts are near the point of discouragement, if not disorganization. If we hope even to hold our own in some of these rural sections the Brotherhood will need to become awakened and band together to save the day. Many of the other denominations have withdrawn from the rural sections. This makes the situation more strategic for our people. The fields in many instances are uncontested, and the fact that we have a rural history of nearly two hundred years should make it easy for us to serve these sections.

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Home Missions as an Essential Part of Mission Work

ERNEST WAMPLER

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PERHAPS one of the weaknesses of our age is farsightedness. We are apt to pay more attention to evils away from us rather than to the one close at hand. We can see faults in other people and nations rather than our own. It is good to be able to see far ahead and plan the course accordingly, but we should not overlook things close at hand, for if we do we are apt to trip ourselves and not be able to reach our desired goal. I believe this is partly true in our missionary program today. We have been keeping our eyes upon the foreign field so much that we have failed to build a greater loyalty to Christ here at home. We are anxious to have China, India, and Africa follow Christ, but we do not care so much about these nationalities here in America. We are willing to give of our money to send missionaries to the foreign field, but are not willing to give ourselves here at home in building a stronger church, both in numbers and spiritual quality. The home church should study the missionary work of the early church and build accordingly.



Alliance Church, Ohio, Organized 1925; 35 Members. New Church Built 1926, Aided by General Home Mission Funds. Membership Today, 89.

Christ in his last command, when he said "Go," also said, "Tarry at Jerusalem until you are endowed with the Spirit, and then you shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth" (Acts 1: 8). This mission work was concentrated. The home church was radiant with the Holy Spirit; souls were being added to the church daily. (See L. P. Jack's book, "The Last Radiance of the Christian Religion.") People could not stay out of the church, because those who were in the church testified of their joy of service for Christ. The work was intensive; they were to preach in ALL Judea, not part but all; not only in Pennsylvania, Virginia, and Maryland, but in Colorado, Idaho, and New Mexico as well. It was not only the large cities in which they preached, but also the villages. It was largely personal work. We today feel we cannot do anything unless we have a large church to preach in, and outside of the services there we cannot preach the Word. We should emphasize personal work more, not only by the ministry, but by every member of the church. This early church work was to be thorough, so they did it this way. They went everywhere preaching the Word (Acts 8: 4). We have lost the pioneer spirit in our home work and it must be restored or our missionary program abroad is doomed to failure. Some might feel that by giving to missions they have relieved themselves of further responsibility and do

not try to win others to Christ, but money will not relieve one of his personal responsibility of warning those who are going in the paths of sin. Others might say, "We send workers to China because they are so hungry to hear the Gospel; souls are not hungry for the Word here." But I believe there is more hunger here in America than in China. You say, "They are easier to reach in India and China than in America," but I say they are not. If that be true, then we had better let our children grow up as heathen in order to create an appetite for religion and make them easy to win to Christianity. You say, "The work is more needy there," but I say the greatest hindrance to the missionary work abroad is the poor quality of our Christianity and the failure here at home to make our boasted Christianity really Christian. Why do China and India say, "Give us your Christ but not your Christianity"? It is because we here at home are living so far below the standards of Christ that they want him, not our example of him. We cannot say to them, as did Paul to those he had won from idolatry (1 Cor. 4. 16), "Wherefore I beseech you, be ye followers of me."

I am not saying we should do less, or just the same on the foreign field; we should do more; but what I am trying to say is this, that if we do not get down to real earnestness in trying to win America and bring all men into fellowship with Christ, we might as well stop sending missionaries abroad. If we fail here we fail everywhere. I quote from Dr. D. D. Forsythe of Philadelphia, in a conference of the M. E. Church in World Service, who said, speaking of Manhattan Island: "The retreat of the Christian church on that island within the last half century, in the face of increasing population, has been well-nigh a national calamity, and today we are reaping the results of our ill-chosen policy in terms of gangs, gunmen, and bootleggers, and of the rising generation largely out of touch with organized religion of any sort."

Unchristian conduct by the representatives of Christian nations is being assailed on every hand. Bishop Fred B. Fisher of Calcutta said, speaking to an audience here in America: "I have borne forty stripes, save one, for you, when I have been beaten in India with the lash of accusation. I cannot argue when some one says, 'You are no Christian,' and then tells me what some other white man has done, what Christian nations, what my own nation, has done. I bow my head and accept the lash."

Now what part do Home Missions have to do with our other Missionary program? It is absolutely all-important. Today the world is too small for us to pick out a few of our best Christian workers and send them as missionaries to Africa, India, and China, and ask them to build up a Christian church there without also building an equally strong church here. I do not mean from the standpoint of money, but from the standpoint of Christlikeness. Seventy-five years ago a missionary could work in China and was not affected by what went on in America; but that is no longer true. What we do here either aids or hinders the work of our representatives on the foreign field. If we want our representatives in India, Africa, and China to work there unhindered, let's show to the people of these nationalities who live here in America that we practice what our missionaries preach, "That all men are brethren in Christ Jesus." I know it is much easier for me to give ten dollars for the work in Africa than to be brotherly to a Negro here in America; but better that I do not give the ten dollars if I do not want to live what I profess when I give it. Some might say, "Oh, the Negro is inferior, I cannot treat him as a brother." Suppose it were true. Surely no one would say that the Negro of America is inferior to the Negro of Africa where our missionaries are working. Surely, we do not ask Bro. Helser and the others there to be kinder to Negro babies and mothers in Africa than we would want to be here. Certainly, we are interested in the soul welfare of the black man here in America as well as in Africa. Let us then be consistent in our Christian work.

Brethren, the wide world is our field, and the task of preaching the Word to every creature is stupendous. We cannot separate our task, for we must all advance together. The home work must progress along with the foreign work. Emphasizing one to the neglect of the other eventually will lead to failure.

Value of Summer Pastor to Local Church

R. P. ROARK

An Active Layman, St. Joseph, Missouri

THE North St. Joseph church was without a pastor in charge for some time. The few members tried keeping up the Sunday-school work, which we did reasonably well, but when it came to the Sunday evening work and prayer meeting on Wednesday evening, we were not so successful.

We were able to hold our own. By this, I mean we did not lose any of the old and faithful, time-tried members, who have been raised in the church; however, we, who have never been trained to the educational work of the church, made a miserable failure when it came to making the work interesting for the younger folks. The result was we had no young people in attendance, which was not their fault, but ours; not because we did not try or did not want them, but through lack of training and knowledge on our part.



R. P. Roark

In my judgment, our experience was very similar to that of a great number of other small churches throughout the country. Through lack of trained teachers and leaders these churches are drifting quietly and peacefully along. When any church gets into a rut of this kind it is time for an awakening, time to take inventory, check up, and see how much has been lost. Christ did not teach us to drift, but to be up and bucking the current.

Here is our story: In 1925 we decided to put on a revival meeting, but the question of finance came up. We appointed a finance committee and sent for the preacher. We were able to get Bro. J. R. Snyder, who put on a two weeks' meeting. Several young people came into the church—and, by the way, we had the money at the end of the meeting. We felt much elated at having accomplished so much. We decided that we could not afford to start drifting again, so we applied to the General Mission Board for a summer pastor.

The result was, Bro. Harry Smith, a student from Bethany, with one more year of training there, came to us for a short time. Bro. Smith labored with us through the summer, up to time for him to go back to school, and did some good work; he created the interest of both old and young. Shortly after Bro. Smith left we were able to have Miss Shisler, who is now our missionary to Africa, with us for a time. I want to say for her, that as a Bible student, and in capability for teaching, there is none better. She did us a lot of good.

Her work was followed by another revival of two weeks by Bro. S. Z. Smith. More new members were added. Shortly after the close of this meeting we were able to get Bro. Bittinger of Elizabethtown, Pa., for the summer work. He, like Bro. Smith, had one more year of school work. He was young, small in stature, but a hard worker and mighty in his knowledge of the Bible and how to teach it in a way that was interesting to both old and young. Our attendance was very good at every meeting.

This we can truthfully say: These summer pastors are young, ambitious folks of fine morals, ready and willing to get into the work. It is a part of their training. They want to do their best, and in addition to this all of the members want to see them make good. The result is, every one is working; the congregation trying to help the young minister, the young minister trying to help others.

In unity there is strength. I have this to say to any church without a regular pastor: Try the summer pastor once; if you will, you will win and grow.

Thanksgiving, the logical time for boosting missions in America.

Our United Thank Offering

Two thousand years ago Christ and a few followers blazed a Way in a distracted world, announcing the message, "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men." Two centuries ago, when people were in confusion, seeking Christian liberty, there burned a driving conviction in the hearts of the founders of the Church of the Brethren, that again the Message of Christ should be heralded. These men were willing to give up all in their faith and zeal for the program of Christ.

Early in the history of the acts of these men in America, and those like-minded, they went forth preaching and inviting men and women into the fellowship of Christian service. The mountains were crossed, the plains traversed, the Rockies scaled, and finally the Pacific! Great sacrifice by the early fathers, servants of Christ, marked this continental highway with churches surrounded by Christian communities.

We are living in our day. New problems distract. Overwhelming sins challenge. Temptations are abundant. Selfishness is growing. Dissatisfaction with life is evident. Lack of appreciation of personal values is apparent. People are confused in their search for God. Over one-half of the people are not affiliated with any religion. Many church members are lukewarm. Out of this chaos, declining churches and weakening Districts call for immediate help. Uncertainty surrounds many of the sacred Christian institutions in America because of lack of support.

America needs the home fires rekindled. Through our foreign work the search light is being turned on us. In no uncertain terms the Orient is saying to America, "Make yourself Christian before you come telling how to make the Orient Christian." In humility we bow. The fire exhibited in the past must come back. America must be reached. Somebody must pay the price. Some group must sacrifice as never before to take the torch again in a crusade across this continent.

In whose heart rests this responsibility? We can not dodge the issue and be Christian. The fact of need is clear-cut. To meet it, costs life. There is no saving where there is no danger. The cross offers death to self. Some men and women must give life; others must give their life through possessions. These two gifts together are the program of missions.

Calls come from small churches, weak Districts, and unoccupied fields, to you! Thanksgiving is set aside by our President as a day to give thanks. The church calls each member to express his heart gratitude by giving an offering to that fund designated as Home Missions, the purpose of which is to make and keep America Christian. Each church is asked to encourage its members, resident and non-resident, to make an offering for the preaching of the Gospel in America, that we may build a stronger base from which there will go forth men and women to the "uttermost parts of the earth."

General Mission Board.

Home Mission Objectives

Evangelism

John R. Snyder and S. Z. Smith have been helping in evangelistic work among small churches and weak Districts under direction of the General Mission Board. The results have been gratifying. This work should be enlarged. Will you help?

Italian Work in Brooklyn

This cause is on your heart! They have a comfortable building and excellent workers. There is a mortgage on the building. In coöperation with the District of Southeastern Pennsylvania the General Board hopes through the gifts of the church to pay this debt in a few years. Let's help our Italian brothers!

Summer Student Work

This is one of the most promising pieces of work. To many students this is a leading step to definite, full-time Christian service. Successful work has been done by women. Last summer there were eleven men and eight women serving the churches. You can make this opportunity possible for a larger number!

Church Building Loan Fund

Many churches have been built through the aid of this fund. Urgent calls for help must be deferred because of lack of funds. Give liberally that the saw and hammer may be heard in many communities where a church building is needed!

Our Mountain Work

You are familiar with our Industrial School in Virginia. Other efforts include Vacation Bible Schools, evangelistic, and summer student work. Some significant volunteer service is rendered by teachers. Opportunities unlimited!

Ministerial and Missionary Relief

Living on a support basis, as many of our ministers do, it is certain that some will eventually need help. This fund should be increased year by year. Give, that those who are sacrificing now may have the promise of care in case of need!

District and General Home Missions

All General Home Mission work is done in coöperation with the District Mission Boards. This year twenty-three Districts will be helped from the general fund. In this way stronger Districts help the weaker. The doctrine, "Bear ye one another's burdens," applied, will enliven our entire Home Missionary Enterprise!

It takes $50,000 yearly to carry the above program. It should be enlarged. It is a part of the Conference Budget. It is a part of your quota. However, forget this and give joyfully and liberally a United Thank Offering for the Home Missionary Enterprise, the preaching of the Gospel in America. As this weighs on your heart, give! As the Lord has prospered you, make an offering!

A Life of Sacrifice: How Shall Recompense Be Given?

ALICE K. EBEY
Missionary to India



Alice K. Ebey

MORE than twenty years ago, a young man and his bride wife answered the call of God to carry the Gospel to India and to help in the building up of the kingdom of Christ in that land. They had already gone out from the friendly atmosphere of the church college to carry on the Lord's work in a new field far from the center of things.

Bravely they proceeded farther away from home and loved ones, having the divine assurance of a call to India. There God greatly used them for eighteen busy, strenuous years.

For a little while they had to study the language, but as soon as they could begin to speak in this new tongue, the urge to be about their Father's business drove them away from the established mission station, out among the needy, common people of one of the great native states. To them what mattered it that fellow-missionaries doubted the wisdom of such an undertaking? What cared they that the native officials and the higher classes among whom they went to live opposed them and tried to drive them out of that territory? The uncomfortable house in the native quarters of the town daunted not their courage.

They, like Paul, knew that "a great and effectual door had been opened unto them and there were many adversaries." They had come to give the Gospel to the people of that district, and none of these things moved them from their purpose.

You know the rest of the story; how God poured out his blessing and how the fruits of their sacrifice and toil soon became manifest. The common people were longing for a Redeemer to break their bonds of oppression and sin and ignorance. Eagerly they heard the Gospel and many turned to Christ. Indian helpers went with the missionary to scores of villages, preaching the Word everywhere they went, even to those villages far from home.

The faithful wife, living in the very heart of Hinduism, remained bravely at home, witnessing for Christ as opportunity afforded. The sick and suffering soon found their way to her door, seeking comfort and healing. Patient hands bound up open sores, treated sore eyes and ears, and gave remedies for fever and many common ailments, directing the more serious cases to doctors and hospitals.

Such service soon wins the hearts of the oppressed and downtrodden. It is little wonder that they soon began to inquire about the religion of the white people who lived in their midst and moved in and out among them.

It was not all at once a glorious success. When we read about over a thousand Christians in Vyara, and crowded boarding school, we are apt to think that it is easier to work there than here. But there are some who happen to know something of the toil and tears, the prayers and personal sacrifice during those early days. Those who have followed after find that still there is much hardness to endure for Christ's sake.

Then came the first furlough after nine years of incessant toil and prayer. There were many tears and much sorrow when these faithful ones left the people who had found Christ through their ministry.

A second term of service was spent at Bulsar, where work had been long established. But the people of the villages had not found the Christ. Such a burning passion to bring Christ to these simple villagers filled the missionary's heart that heavy duties at the station did not deter him from touring in the villages. An Indian evangelist was sent to a village about fifteen miles

away to start a boarding school for caste boys who dared not come into the regular boarding school to eat and live with Christian boys.

Some doubted the wisdom of this enterprise, but in a short time there was a large school of these caste boys under Christian instruction. A few years later a number were baptized and brought into the regular mission school at Bulsar. Since then the work has continued to grow and many have found the Christ. Even the girls of that district now have a boarding school.

In the midst of all these regular duties this missionary found time for a very vital and constructive interest in all lines of work of the whole mission. A number of our most cherished institutions were born out of his brain and heart.

Full of zeal and interest, with great dreams of spending a year in preparation for greater service in India, he, with his family, turned his face homeward in the spring of 1922. In the midst of the voyage he was stricken with paralysis. It was pathetic to see this man, so full of life and energy, and hope and vision, grow weaker and weaker. It was marvelous to see how the grace of God gave him patience to endure his affliction and watch others push on in the work he so ardently longed to do.

Four years of ever-increasing weakness, growing more helpless each day, and then came his home going—the coronation of one who had been faithful to his King in all that had been given him to do. He was promoted to higher service and larger usefulness in the presence of his King.

But what about the little mother and four growing daughters left to fight life's battles alone? They must have a home, food to eat and clothes to wear. Such daughters must be educated and trained for life's work.

No missionary enjoys living on mission funds when not in active service. They have found it "more blessed to give than to receive." It is with reluctance and regret that they accept their quarterly allowance when detained in the homeland.

But when missionaries spend their earning years in active service, receiving each quarter allowances intended merely to meet their daily needs, it is quite impossible to lay by for the rainy day.

Such fathers, who have laid down their lives for Christ, trusted the church at home to care for their loved ones when thus bereft. This confidence in the church has not been violated. This widowed sister and these orphaned daughters are enabled to get on in this world by the help of the Ministerial and Missionary Relief Fund. In a few years the eldest hopes to enter missionary service on the foreign field. She has definitely dedicated her life to Christ. The younger ones, we feel sure, will follow in her steps.

> *"I surely do want to express our deepest and sincerest appreciation for the help which we are receiving from the Missionary and Ministerial Relief Fund. Without it I do not know how I would manage. May the Lord abundantly bless each person who has made this fund possible and who contributes to it from time to time."*
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> **A Widowed Missionary.**

Such sacrifice and service cannot be repaid in dollars and cents. But the loved ones left alone can be made more comfortable and useful if some of the money, earned while they toiled in India's jungle, be given to this Relief Fund. Up to this time not so many ministers and fewer missionaries have received aid in this way. But with the increasing number of workers at home and abroad, who devote all their time to the Lord's work, with no opportunity to lay by for sickness or old age, they will necessarily look to the church to provide for their needs in such times as this.

Is it asking too much that those who have sown spiritual things for you should reap of your carnal things? At this Thanksgiving season let some thank offerings be given to the Ministerial and Missionary Relief Fund, that not one of these who have toiled and suffered for Christ's sake shall lack any of the temporal comforts that you yourselves enjoy.

The Youngest Church in the Southland

J. F. HOKE
Minister, Roanoke, La.

ONE of the deepest joys of a parent is the realization of cherished hopes and aspirations for a child in whose life there have been invested years of anxious nurture and financial capital for the necessary training for life's work; to see such a one taking his place in the world, fully and splendidly meeting the responsibilities of life, brings abiding satisfaction. In a very real way does the Roanoke church feel this relationship to the little Brethren church at Rosepine, La., and to her has come a similar joy and satisfaction in seeing a small group of isolated members grow to become a full-grown church, under her paternal and fostering care.



Roanoke Church. The Only Church of the Brethren in Louisiana Until Rosepine Was Organized

In 1921 Bro. J. A. Miller of Manvel, Tex., who had served the District as home mission evangelist, was compelled to withdraw from the District work on account of shortage of funds. Up until this time Bro. Miller had for several years held a number of meetings in the town hall of the village, baptizing several members. Bro. Miller's withdrawal from the work laid the responsibility of the mission upon the mother church at Roanoke, which she assumed rather reluctantly, Rosepine being ninety miles distant.

For two years the ministry of the Roanoke church served the Rosepine community, which had erected a splendid union church building in the meantime and were showing added interest in our services. In the spring of 1924, Bro. John R. Snyder, evangelist, held a few meetings as he was passing through Rosepine. As a result there was unusual interest and seven or eight young people of the community were baptized.

Following closely upon his visit the membership of the community called for a church organization. The following resolution was submitted to the District Board:

To the Members of the Mission Board of Texas and Louisiana—Greeting:

As chairman of the board I address you in reference to a question that needs official action before the board's meeting in August. A call has come from the members, now twenty in number, of Rosepine, La., for a church organization at that place. It is the sense of the mother church at Roanoke that the request should be granted, and according

to 1920 Conference decision I am hereby submitting the petition to the members of the board for approval.

It is also proposed by the Home Mission Secretary that a summer pastor be placed at Rosepine, and he pledges the coöperation of the General Mission Board in bringing such to pass.

Is the board favorable to contributing $75 to the Rosepine work? Let each member vote Yes or No over their signature. May the Holy Spirit lay it upon our hearts to meet the challenge and enter the door so manifestly open to us at this time.

Respectfully submitted for your consideration.

J. F. Hoke, Chairman.

Unanimous consent of the board resulted in calling a special council of the members of the Rosepine community in June, 1924, and effecting an organization with a membership of twenty.

Much of the success of the work at Rosepine has been due to the splendid interest and coöperation of our Home Mission Secretary, Bro. M. R. Zigler. Immediately after the church was organized the General Mission Board, through Bro. Zigler, located Bro. C. H. Hinegardner of North Manchester as summer pastor. He spent three busy months serving the church and community in a most efficient way, leaving the church stronger spiritually and numerically.

Active steps were immediately taken to secure a regular pastor, the General Mission Board pledging partial support. In December, 1924, Bro. F. E. Maxey of Taylor's Valley, Va., was secured and located at Rosepine. After six months of splendid service he was compelled to give up the work on account of his wife's health, she having returned to Virginia. During his brief term of service several series of meetings were held, one of them in an outlying, unchurched community, resulting in a number of conversions. Most of those folks never heard of the Brethren Church before our work began at Rosepine. A Sunday-school was organized, officered by members of the Rosepine church and held in the home of one of the members, as was also a regular monthly preaching appointment. This was the beginning of what is now called the Pleasant View church of the Rosepine congregation.

After the return of Bro. Maxey to Virginia, Bro. M. L. Woodhatch, a young resident minister who had been elected to the ministry soon after the Rosepine church was organized, did efficient work in filling the appointments at Pleasant View and Rosepine until another pastor could be secured. In the meanwhile Bro. Zigler, still on a hunt for a suitable man to take charge of the work, located Brother and Sister R. K. Showalter. Bro. Showalter is a graduate of Bridgewater College, a pastor and evangelist of considerable experience.



Temporary Tabernacle

New Church

Brother and Sister Showalter have shown a real missionary spirit in turning their backs upon more inviting and popular pastorates, choosing rather to serve in the more remote and needy frontier fields where real problems challenge and real sacrifices must be made. In September, 1926, they entered upon their work at Rosepine. The District as well as the church there is deeply indebted to the Home Mission Secretary for bringing them into the District. Under their leadership the church has been given a new conception of her duty to the community and in a marked way she is meeting the challenge.

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After Sixty Years

LAURA GWIN SWADLEY

ALMOST sixty years between the preaching of the first sermon and the building of the church! In the meantime "Johnson's Depot" had grown from a village of a few hundred population to a city of 20,000 population and the name had been changed to Johnson City.

It was in 1868 that the Science Hill School



The Johnson City Aid Society Is Working Hard for the New Church

building was erected. Three members of our church contributed a total of something like two hundred dollars, with the understanding that our people were to have the privilege of preaching once a month in the school building. Services were held there occasionally by J. B. Pence, who was the first teacher in the building, and perhaps by others as well. At one time two ministers from Virginia, Brethren Trostle and Good, on a visit to Tennessee called at the school and were accorded the privilege of preaching to the students, the school being dismissed for that purpose.

"Since we were on the ground floor why didn't we go ahead and build up a church?" years afterward one of our sisters asked of her father.

"Just another example of lost opportunity," was the father's reply.

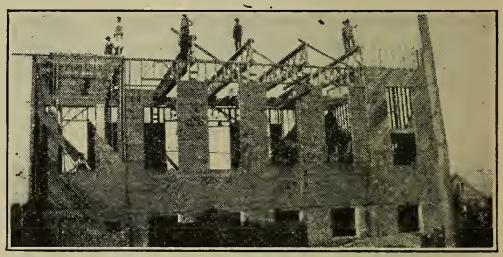
Other churches used their opportunities and there are now a number of strong churches in the city.

During the past years a number of our members have located here. Some became identified with other churches; others became more or less indifferent; others held their membership with the churches from which they came. Some were especially impressed with opportunity for and need of a church of our own, and talked and prayed to this end. Some of these faithful ones have gone to their reward before seeing their dreams realized.

Several times during the past fifteen or twenty years requests were sent to the Knob Creek church, asking that something be done. Ten years ago a committee was appointed to see what could be done about starting a Sunday-school, but no suitable place could be found and the matter was dropped.

At the quarterly council meeting at Knob Creek in August, 1924, a request came from "Three sisters," asking for work to be started in Johnson City, and a committee was appointed. Several sermons were preached in the United Brethren church by John B. White and W. H. Swadley.

May 16, 1925, the first District Aid Society meeting was held in the Knob Creek church. A question for discussion at this meeting was in regard to the Aid's doing some definite mission work in the District. The prospect for work in Johnson City was presented,



The New Church in Construction

and was so favorably received by the meeting that it was decided to pay the rent on a building for services. The Adventist church was rented and the rent has been paid largely by the Knob Creek Aid Society.

Aug. 2, 1925, in the afternoon, a number of members met in the church. Several talks were made and it was decided to organize and begin Sunday-school the following Sunday. Accordingly, Aug. 9 the Sunday-school was started with thirty-six in attendance.

A few Sundays later Ralph E. White began his work there under the direction of the General Mission Board. Since the be-

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My Experience in Student Work

ADA CORRELL

Served as Student Pastor at Granada, Kansas, Last Summer
Student, Bethany Bible School

IF I were asked to estimate the personal value of this summer's experience in pastoral work at Granada, I would reply that it cannot be estimated. One receives practical training in the various lines of church work and a deep experience with God that are invaluable. Every day is a day of growth; for helping others to know Jesus Christ and his way of life is the best way to develop our own Christian characters. Hence, I feel that this is an important field for young women training for Christian service.



Ada Correll

I should like to give you a little glimpse of my work at Granada. This is a small inland village located in the midst of a farming district in Northeastern Kansas. The field is open to the Church of the Brethren since there is no other church near. Due largely to the earnest efforts of Rev. Roy Kistner of Sabetha, Kans., there are between thirty-five and forty members of our own church, living in or near this community.

As I was a stranger here, I learned first of all the real meaning of "Lo, I am with you always." However, the people of the community were so kind and friendly that I soon felt at home. My time was given to study, devotions, calling, and overseeing the various meetings. As there is no regular churchhouse in Granada the meetings were held in Woodman Hall. Here we had prayer meeting, chorus practice, Sunday-school, church service, Y. P. D., and D. V. B. S. Many of these organizations were new, but the folks were willing to work and eager to learn. For instance, one day in Bible School class I asked some of the boys and girls to lead in prayer. One of the girls replied, "Oh, we can't pray!"

"But why can't you?" I inquired.

"We'd like to, but we don't know how," she answered. And so they learned to pray. I wish that every reader could hear some of those boys and girls pray. It would give you more faith in humanity.

My Loyal Sisters' Club consisted of fourteen girls, who met each week. Some of the meetings were of the inspirational type held out of doors, while some were devoted to practical work. One day we washed the windows of our church. Another time, when I could not be with the girls, they went ahead and scrubbed the floor. One of the girls said to me, "Miss Correll, we didn't know how to carry on the business, but we did know how to scrub, so we went after it." This was the spirit of willingness shown everywhere in their work.

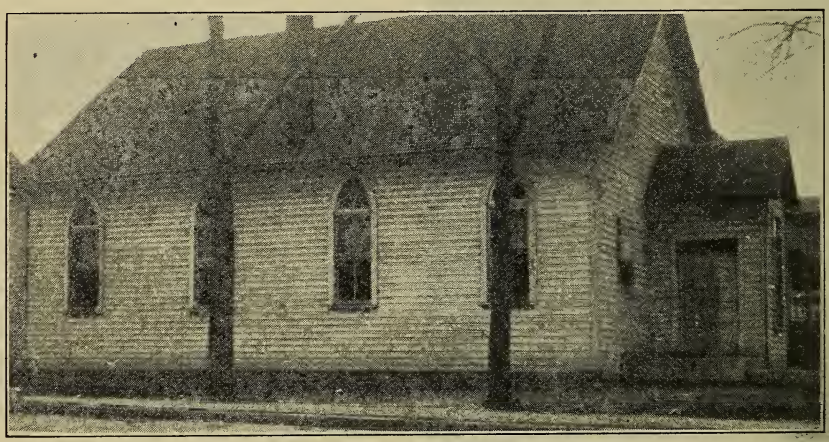
I especially enjoyed visiting in the homes, talking with folks over their problems and plans. It is in the home that one really learns to know people and to love and sympathize with them. It seems to me that a true Christian woman can do much to help and inspire the home makers of America.

This is a great task! It takes a double portion of love, tact, understanding sympathy, modesty, and patience. But after all the greatest joy in the world comes through helping others to know, love, and obey Jesus Christ.

What Sufficient Help Would Do for the Church in Kansas City

W. A. KINZIE
Pastor in Kansas City, Kansas

IT is needless to write of the location, growth and magnitude of Kansas City; of its great industries and organizations such as schools, churches, hospitals, banking systems, department stores, wholesale houses, packing plants, stock exchange, shops, factories, railroad systems, its wonderful parks and beautiful drives, as all this is common knowledge to the many who live in the great Mississippi Valley. Kansas City is known as the "Gateway to the West," the coming metropolis of the central part of the Union. Because of its geographical location, efficient railway facilities and paved roads, thousands of people from all points of the compass pass within our gates each year. Within two generations we have grown from a small trading point into a thriving city. Much of the finest and best young blood of America has contributed to its building, and not a few have left Brethren homes for the city to spend their life in business or some profession.



One-room Church Now Being Used in Kansas City. Loan Has Been Granted for New Church. Sufficient Cash to Build Is Not Yet Available

The opportunities and possibilities for a career, such as Kansas City has to offer, are drawing annually many leading young people of our church from the rural districts and from our colleges. Many sons and daughters who are friends of the church are streaming into the city. Business has not failed in making room for this inflow, but rather it is meeting them with words of welcome and doors of opportunities for a good wage and a home, payable on easy terms. While business and a good job may be essential, yet they are only by-products of the "best," which is the church. Many upon arriving in the city remember their mother church and serve her faithfully; many others seemingly lose themselves in the vast multitude or unite with some other organization. The Church of the Brethren has been and is contributing largely to the leadership of other denominations. Many men of affairs have been "rocked in Brethren cradles." Had we as a church conserved the blood of our own faith, one of the strongest churches in Kansas City would be known as "The Church of the Brethren." Why isn't it thus? Is it because of poverty, lack of organization, or lack of consecration? Or does our type of religion fail to meet the needs of the city? I claim the Church of the Brethren has a brand of religion second to none; she has plenty of money; there may be room for more efficient organization and deeper con-

secration, and room for a better understanding between city and rural work.

The work in Greater Kansas City had its origin at an early date, but definite action was not taken until about 1890, the first organization being effected Nov. 20, 1897. It has been because of the consecrated efforts of men like Elders I. H. Crist and O. R. McCune and others that the present attainments have been reached. The mother church has grown from one organization of thirty-eight members into three churches of approximately three hundred resident members.

While this growth is not what some think it should be, yet when we consider the handicaps of a city mission with membership scattered over the entire city, no adequate equipment, no men of wealth to foot the bills and erect needed houses of worship, we must confess that the results are very gratifying considering the amount of money the church had at her command.

The work has received District support almost continually. The moral and spiritual interest of adjoining Districts has been beyond question. The interest of the local membership in its present and future outlook will outdistance that of many a church with half the handicaps. They are alive and working; they have learned the art of giving systematically "as the Lord has prospered them." (The First Central church has given during the last year an average of about twenty-five dollars per member.) They have faith in the church and are eagerly looking forward to the day when Kansas City shall have at last one good, substantial house of worship which will measure up to the needs of the times in which we are living.

With proper leadership and equipment the Church of the Brethren in Greater Kansas City has a bright future; without it our hopes grow dim. The local membership is not yet able to finance a program such as the times demand and one the Brotherhood would kindly regard. The amount she is now receiving from outside sources is insufficient to meet the emergency of the hour; it will keep the work alive, but it will not hasten the day of its becoming self-supporting. Just a good "Samaritan lift" now would help us in making the grade and might within a few years cause Kansas City to become a large, contributing factor for the work in some other worthy field.

The adjoining States will continue to yield of her young blood—and some will be the very cream of her youth—to this growing city. There should be a house of worship, properly equipped for the rendering of our own church program, and thus save our splendid young talent, including high-school and college graduates, for the church of their choice. Otherwise, the sons and daughters of many devoted laymen, deacons, and ministers will seek to worship elsewhere because we turned a deaf ear to the S. O. S. cry, and instead we invested our money in western land and oil stock and lived in houses of cedar, while the Lord continued to dwell in a little one-room house.

If some good brother, whom the Lord has richly blessed, or some organization could only make a substantial gift, or endow, or loan without interest for a short term of years, the cause in Kansas City would take on new life, a much-needed house of worship could be erected, the inflow of Brethren stock from adjoining territory could be more properly conserved, and Christ's kingdom be magnified and God's Name be glorified because of sufficient help being given at the crucial moment. For Christ and the youth let us give.

Kansas City, Kans.

WHAT SOME OF THE CHURCHES THINK ABOUT SUMMER PASTORS

"One of the problems of newly-organized churches and those not strong enough to support full-time pastors is how to secure enough workers to visit the members, conduct Vacation Bible School, encourage the Junior League, and other activities. The summer pastor unites all these advantages in encouraging and strengthening the church work in a short period and with a small expense, meanwhile giving volunteer workers valuable experience."—E. J. Ebey, Pontiac, Mich.

"In our experience a summer pastor is a great factor in increasing or creating social activities and spiritual interest which holds well for the time being."—Mrs. Mary Rinehart, Garland Werking, Melvin Miller, Supt., Richmond, Ind.



Conducted by Aunt Adalyn

BY THE EVENING LAMP

Dear Aunt Adalyn: As I saw only one letter in the September Visitor I thought I would write one, as it has been a long time since I wrote. This is my third letter, but I am sure you will let me in again. I am twelve years old now; will be in the sixth grade this year. School opened Sept. 12. I am glad my little brother John started; I will have company. I was alone for six years going to school.

I will tell you about our trip we had this summer. We went to Greene, Iowa, and saw both of my grandpas and grandmas and a lot of my aunts and uncles. Spent ten days there. We then went to Waddam's Grove, Ill., to visit some of our old friends, Bro. Oscar Stern's family, over Sunday. On Monday morning we left for Chicago, arriving there in the evening, for the six weeks summer school at Bethany. Papa went to Bethany Bible School. John and I went to Bible School down at the First Church for four weeks. We lived in Building C, on the third floor, in the fire escape rooms.

We left Chicago July 30. On Saturday we stopped at Bemidji, Minn., to visit two of my aunts for about a week. We got home the tenth of August. We had a wonderful trip. Would like to take another one some time. I would like to hear from some of the Juniors.

Rock Lake, N. Dak., R. 3. Naomi Flora.

I just know you enjoyed your trip immensely. It does one a world of good to get away from home a little while, to rub against other folks, make new acquaintances, and absorb new surroundings. It gives one a lot of fresh things to think about when he gets back. It isn't good for anybody to get in a rut. I am glad you dropped in, Naomi. I wouldn't like to extinguish the "Lamp" altogether.

NUTS TO CRACK

Hidden Word

I am composed of 12 letters.
My first is in wheat, but not in rye.
My next is in dough, but not in pie.
My third is in roast, but not in fry.
My fourth is in drink, but not in dry.
My fifth is in milk, but not in wine.
My sixth is in squash, but not in vine.
My seventh is in grape, but not in jam.
My eighth is in kid, but not in lamb.
My ninth is in gravy, but not in meat.
My tenth is in radish, but not in beet.
My eleventh is in candy, but not in gum.
My twelfth is in orange, but not in plum.
My whole is an annual occasion when the above are used to celebrate.

Some of Our Home-land Missionaries

1. The act is a symbol; linger around a while and you will understand.
2. I like to hear lyceum lectures.
3. Mabel started yesterday for her school.
4. There is a black line in the middle of the pavement.
5. He saw ample results from his sowing.
6. We have seen the rainbow many times.
7. My! It tastes like vinegar, Bertha.
8. Mr. Mahan eyed him suspiciously.
9. Soon he found the mark of the thorn erased.
10. If you want a better show, alter the scenery.
11. A well-aimed blow hit Edward on the jaw.

(Answers next month)

OCTOBER NUTS CRACKED

Countries Where We Have No Missionaries.—
1. France. 2. Germany. 3. Italy. 4. Spain. 5. Greece. 6. Persia. 7. Tunis. 8. Peru. 9. Thibet. 10. Scotland. 11. Tripoli. 12. Brazil.

Some Brethren Missionaries With a Headache.—
1. Heckman. 2. Mallott. 3. Shickel. 4. Cottrell. 5. Wagoner. 6. Kintner. 7. Pollock. 8. Schaeffer. 9. Horning. 10. Wampler. 11. Vaniman. 12. Brubaker.

THANKSGIVING

Now is the time to gather in
Old friends to make a cheerful din;
Voices of children fill the air,
Eager the autumn feast to share;
Masses of flowers give sweet perfume,
Babies are filling every room;
Eat and be thankful, girls and boys,
Remember who has sent your joys.

IN THE HILL COUNTRY*

"I wonder why he don't come," said the little man of the mountains, as he stood with his hands in his overall pockets in front of the school house. "We've been a-waitin' here since two o'clock, an' now it's mos' five."

"Maybe he ain't a-comin'," his sister ventured.

"O dear, nothin's happened around here for so long; and now maybe we won't even have our preachin' service. It was supposed to be at three o'clock."

"Mebbe the car's broke down," said one.

"Mebbe he decided it was too far to come up to Pleasant Green," another suggested.

"The last time we had preachin' he sure could holler! I hope this one kin holler as good," said the little man of the mountains.

And so they waited! Inside the school house were the women of most of the families from miles around. Just outside the door the men were gathered in a group with their hands in their pockets, waiting. And scattered all over the school yard were the children of the hill-country.

And still they waited!

And no wonder! For the preacher was having a hard time reaching the school house at Pleasant Green.

This is what had happened: Two men had started out to get him, driving one of the only two cars in Pleasant Green. One would not run on this

* Adapted from the account of a worker in the Tennessee Mountains, appearing in the booklet, "For a Better America."

particular Sunday afternoon. And what a funny looking car this other was! It had cost $2.50 and it acted just that way.

At half-past three the car arrived to get the preacher. The service was supposed to have started half an hour earlier. There was really room for only two, but two were in the car before they reached their passenger. It was a good thing, however, for this was a car that needed a Shover as well as a Chauffeur.

The journey began. For a mile the car moved on without any trouble. Then it suddenly stopped like a balky horse. They worked with a will but the engine refused to start. Finally it began to go. For another mile there were no mishaps, but then one of the doors flew off, and fifteen minutes more were lost. Again they started bumping along, when all of a sudden—pop! "The back tire's done gone busted," said the driver.

The preacher was now getting really worried for fear no one would wait for him at the meeting-place.

"How far is it to the school house?" he asked.

"Oh, not more'n a mile, mebbe," the driver told him, and then showed him the way. On the preacher went alone while the other two men stayed back to fix the tire.

But, alas, the preacher roamed around the woods for half an hour, found no school house at all, and finally returned to the fork of the road just as his chariot came sputtering along again.

"Jes' tumble in," the driver called out. "I don't dast to stop for fear I'll never get her started agin." And the preacher jumped in on the run.

Finally a turn in the road revealed the school house, with the children in groups around the yard and the men standing lazily about the door.

"There he is," the little man of the mountains called out. "I knew he'd come!"

Everybody rushed in. Every seat in the school house was taken and in many cases two or three were on a seat meant for one. What if they had waited two hours and more! How they did sing! And how they seemed to enjoy it! It was almost dark when they began filing out of the school house to start in all directions toward their log cabin homes.

The little man of the mountains planted himself at the door as the preacher was leaving. "They ain't much goin' on up here, mister. Why can't you come every Sunday?"

"If there were only more of me I would," he answered.

And all the way home the little man kept wondering: What did he mean? If there were only more of him, he would?

NON-RESIDENT MEMBERS

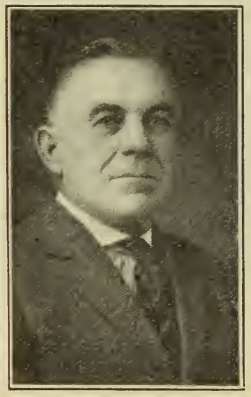
About 10,000 of our 120,000 members are living away from our church communities. Many of them are not away by choice. They crave an interest on the part of the church. Many local churches are not equipped with facilities to take care of the non-resident members. In some churches the non-resident list is very large. Some of our churches are endeavoring to keep in touch with their isolated membership.

There is a national viewpoint also to keep in mind. These people are interested in our whole church. Because of many requests that something be done, a letter was sent under the direction of the Home Department to all the churches, asking for the names of non-resident members. One hundred churches responded, resulting in one thousand names.

These names have been listed, and for these letters have been written by J. W. Lear, J. H. Moore, H. C. Early, R. H. Miller, and C. D. Bonsack. The response has been exceedingly encouraging. Our purpose is to continue this service and to enlarge the list.

The first enthusiastic response came from a business man in Marseilles, Ill. He helps support a church where he lives, helps our own Minneapolis church, where he has his membership, and was happy that he was remembered in our service. He has written briefly some of his feelings:

"There are three classes. I will describe one. In this class are those who hold their membership with the church in preference to any other, do not take the church paper nor pay any tithe to the church. Find out if they would like to have the Messenger sent to them, and if they would read it if it were sent. This I think is the least that could be done for them. A far better but a more expensive method would be to have a special representative to make a personal call and in this way get a perfect check on them. It may be that so doing would reveal enough evidence to prove their worthiness of the paper. I will admit that the last method will be very expensive and if there is no fund for this kind of work we will have to take the first method, which is to send them the Messenger. Will just say that if you will establish a fund of this kind I will pledge a donation of $25 per year for work of this kind. It may be that others will give us a few lines along this subject, and I for one would enjoy reading them; also they may want to donate to this fund."



A. R. Workman

A. R. Workman, Marseilles, Ill.

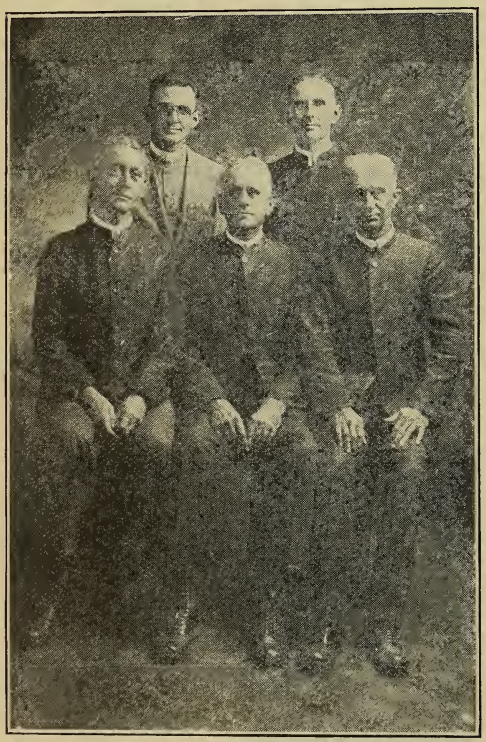
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The Workers' Corner

The editor invites helpful contributions for this department of the Visitor

District Home Mission Work

There are fifty District Mission Boards, all working to make America Christian. Impossible to place the picture of each Board in the Visitor. Southern Indiana sent the best picture. Remember there are forty-nine others who need your support and prayers. Other reports will be found soon in the Gospel Messenger.



District Mission Board, Southern Indiana

MISSIONS IN SOUTHERN INDIANA

The Southern District of Indiana, comprising sixty counties, is a rich field for missionary effort. In this territory some of the foremost leaders of the church have been reared. The northern part of the District is well supplied with strong churches, some of which in the past were only small mission points. The southern part of the District also at one time had several missions, but owing to lack of men and means they were almost all abandoned.

The Mission Board is at present supporting wholly or partially New Hope in Jackson County, Sampson Hill in Martin County, Richmond in Wayne County, Maple Grove in Clay County, and Summitville in Madison County.

Sister Pearl Jackson is doing some very efficient work in the city of Richmond, Ind. Bro. Wilbur Snyder of Pennsylvania was secured by the General Board as summer pastor and has contributed very largely to the interest there. Bro. John Greenhalgh is taking care of the work at Sampson Hill. Eld. Ira Hiatt is laboring with the Maple Grove church in a very efficient way. Eld. Moses Smeltzer is in charge of the New Hope church and has done some very commendable work, having baptized forty-four in the four years that he has had charge. Eld. C. H. Hoover is doing a splendid work in the Summitville church.

In the last ten years three churches, namely, Indianapolis, Muncie, and Kokomo Missions, have become self-supporting. The first two are supporting full-time pastors, and the third is being supplied by the home ministers. Here lies a great field for service. May the Lord of the harvest send workers into his harvest, which we feel will be done when hearts and hands respond to the "Go Ye" of the exalted Christ.

O. D. Werking, Secretary-Treasurer.

WASHINGTON CARRIES BIG PROGRAM

The District of Washington has sixteen congregations, with a membership of 1,455. The District Mission Board is composed of O. B. Gregory, president, Olympia; Geo. C. Deardorff, secretary, Wenatchee; and R. F. Hiner, treasurer, Wenatchee. At the present time the District is maintaining four mission points with pastors on full support and is giving partial support to another point.

Bro. J. A. Eby has been in charge at Tacoma for about three years. Under his care the work has grown until either more room or a new church building will have to be provided, as the present plant is no longer adequate.

Our new church in Spokane is located in a good section of the city, and splendid results are being obtained from the efforts of Bro. J. U. G. Stiverson and wife, who have the work in charge. Inquiry

showed that our attendance held up during the summer months better than that of most other churches of the city.

Since last March, Bro. Geo. W. Hilton and wife have been doing some good work with the 135 members at Yakima. In his survey Bro. Hilton found fourteen families of members in his territory without church privileges and out of touch with the church. They will now be provided for.

Recently Bro. W. B. Stover and family moved to Seattle to take charge of the work there. He is just now getting settled and acquainted with his field, which indeed contains some exceptional possibilities.

We feel very fortunate in adding to our District forces this year men of the experience and ability of Bro. Stover and Bro. Hilton. Their influence for good is being felt not only in their respective churches but throughout the entire District.

Partial support is being given to Bro. W. H. Tigner, who is helping in one of the mission points sponsored by the Richland Valley congregation. A very interesting work is being done by this church, under the leadership of Eld. E. L. Whisler of Ajlune.

We are now raising our mission funds by a free-will offering from each church once a month. With the program we are now carrying, with two unused church buildings in the District, and with calls for help from some other places we are surely challenged in the District of Washington to do our best for the Master. May grace be given us to see and realize for the Church of the Brethren the great possibilities inherent in the present and future development of the Northwest.

Geo. C. Deardorff, Secretary.

Wenatchee, Washington.

SOUTHWESTERN KANSAS

During the past year, ending Sept. 1, there were forty-three additions to our four mission churches through baptism, besides three more who were reclaimed, making a total gain of forty-six aside from letters received. Our largest and most flourishing mission point is located at Hutchinson, which is next to the largest church in the District and has about outgrown its churchhouse. During the past year twenty-four have been baptized and two reclaimed at this point. In four years' time the church has grown from 150 to 230 in membership.

All of our churchhouses are very ordinary in appearance so I have not made an effort to secure pictures of them. I hope that this limited information will give you the material which you desire.

Galen T. Lehman, Secretary.

SOUTHERN OHIO

The past year, ending April 1, 1927, was very successful in many ways for Home Mission work in the Southern District of Ohio. First, the number of accessions at points under the Board was very good, sixty. We wonder sometimes, does it pay? No one would want to say it does not, even though only half this number, or even less, were added.

The interest in general is on the increase. This is proven by the efforts being made to improve conditions in a material way so as to accommodate the people who in the future may be called on to help in the work.

Springfield has just completed a very good and roomy parsonage, which will surely be an asset to them in the future in securing a pastor. Circleville is contemplating doing the same. Plans have not yet been completed but soon will be. Marble Furnace is remodeling its church, adding Sunday-school rooms, and more to the auditorium, which was very much needed. Strait Creek has just completed a new balcony and the rearrangement of the church building so as to accommodate the Sunday-school better. East Dayton and Middletown greatly need more room.

A committee representing District Conference, and also the District Mission Board, are studying their needs to report at next District Conference.

The most interesting feature about the work already done was that the local church took the work in hand and did it. The Board has tried to give encouragement in every way possible, making it easier for the local folks to go ahead.

Orion Erbaugh, Secretary.

WORK IN FLORIDA AND GEORGIA

Since we are a new District, we have some things to do that other Districts did years ago, organizing and helping groups of members get into working shape. The problem of getting houses of worship has been our chief concern for the year.

Within the last eighteen months four churchhouses have been built in our District—Lakeland, Istakpoga, Tampa, and Brooksville. While the Mission Board did not furnish the money nor do the whole work, it was interested and instrumental in helping the work very materially, especially at Tampa and Brooksville. The lots at Tampa were secured through the president and secretary-treasurer working with Bro. Ralph Cottrell of the Hamner organization. Also, more than $1,000 was given through the Board's solicitation. One of the last gifts, by Bro. J. F. Sanger, was $500 to help build the church at Tampa. Besides the assistance in money, men from Sebring, Lakeland, and Brooksville were taken there to help build the house. These brethren gave their services free, the people of the congregation cared for them while they were there, and some brother with his car helped get them to Tampa and back. All this was free, so that the people could have a good place to worship. Some of the brethren at Tampa went on the job and stayed till it was done, especially Brethren A. O. Haney and G. B. Landis.

Through the untiring efforts of Eld. J. H. Garst, with the Brooksville brethren, they now have a commodious churchhouse. Many of the brethren from some of the other congregations gave a day or more in carpenter work. All the transportation and these days of carpenter work were free. Among the Sebring brethren, Bro. Lininger deserves special mention on account of the great amount of work done, in carpentering, preaching, and wiring for the lights.

The work at Istakpoga has been growing by leaps and bounds. In the last eighteen months there have been more than fifty added to the church through

baptism. A new place has been opened up and preaching and Sunday-school are being conducted regularly. The District Mission Board is not directly responsible for this work, but is one of the agencies in it and lends some help to it. The agencies controlling the work are: the local Mission Board through the help of the General Mission Board, besides the one-fourth interest by the District Mission Board.

Not much work has been done at Chosen during the last year, only a few preaching services, but beginning Sept. 19, Sister Bertha Albin began there to help in the Sunday-school. She is teaching the school at Chosen and assisting in the Sunday-school. This is not a mission point, but the Board helped to get a teacher. Also Bro. Walter Peckover is teaching near the Bassenger Mission and assisting in some of the work there.

During the year 1927-28 the Board hopes to continue the work of stabilizing the churches and opening up some new places, if time, conditions and finances will justify.

J. H. Morris, Secretary.

MIDDLE IOWA

The work in Middle Iowa is encouraging. Bro. Jasper E. Smith is pastor of the mission church in Muscatine. He reports a deep interest in the work and feels his efforts are appreciated. The Board feels there is a splendid future for this point, as the church is located in a territory with no Protestant church nearer than a mile.

Bro. D. F. Landis has been in charge of the Des Moines church for more than four years. The work there is progressing nicely. This point was for a number of years wholly supported by the Mission Board, but is gradually becoming self-supporting and in a few years will be entirely self-supporting. This will give available funds for aggressive work elsewhere.

G. E. Goughnour, Secretary.

SOUTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA, NEW JERSEY AND NEW YORK

The mission work in Southeastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Eastern New York is carried on in three places—Wilmington, Del., New Jersey, and Brooklyn, New York.

The work in Brooklyn is under the direction of Bro. G. Allegri and his wife, both trained for the work. The new church there is well equipped for the work, and our workers live in the building. We have a Sunday-school with an average attendance of forty, and preaching service with about the same attendance; also a children's meeting. On Monday evening there is a Junior Society for boys and girls from eleven years of age and up. At the same hour are classes in English and Italian for men and women. On Wednesday evening is a mid-week prayer meeting, with stereopticon pictures on Bible subjects. On Friday afternoon is the Children's Bible story hour, with a song service and stereopticon pictures on missions. An open-air meeting is held in front of the church, and also at different corners in our Italian district, where there are friends who have electric lights in their homes and allow the use of them to show pictures on Bible subjects. At other places they stop and sing and preach. These meetings are started in the spring as soon as weather permits, and stopped only when cold weather makes it impossible to continue. Hundreds of Gospels and portions of Scripture, both in English and Italian, and many religious tracts, are distributed. So far no special work is being done among women, but it is hoped that it will soon begin. The purpose of the mission is to serve the community in all possible ways, but above all to evangelize the Italians and teach them all things as they are written in the Word of God, revealing Christ to them as their personal Savior. To do this we are using every legitimate means at our disposal —as canvassing, visiting, helping men to acquire their citizenship by preparing them to qualify. The extension of the field of activities is about thirty blocks long and seven blocks wide, with some families from other sections of Brooklyn. The Italians are receptive and approachable, and we hope before long the wall that stands between the mission and the people will be broken down and many will accept the Gospel.

The work at Wilmington, Del., is progressing nicely since the new church was built last year. A revival meeting was held there last May and twenty-eight were baptized and five received on their former baptism. We have a bright outlook here.

New Jersey is not so encouraging. Foreigners there have bought up the farms and many have no children, so the work is not able to grow by the very nature of the surroundings. Yet at Amwell, the old historic church, a good interest is manifested and the work progresses.

M. C. Swigart, Secretary.

EASTERN COLORADO

The area of the District of Eastern Colorado includes all of the eastern slope of Colorado with Miami, N. Mex., added.

We have twelve churchhouses in the District, and a total membership of 1,096. In this District we carry two lists of membership, a total and an active list. (Because of the scattered membership and the inability of members to get to our services we use this system.) Our active membership is 714.

The valuation of financial ability is rated at $1,025,000. The valuation of church property in the District is estimated at $42,000.

Four of the twelve churchhouses are located in the city, five in small towns, two in the country. Six churches have full-time pastors, two have part-time pastors, one is supplied by the local Ministerial Board, one is supplied by the local and the District Mission Board.

One mission is under the care of the District Mission Board, that is, Colorado Springs. The workers are J. O. Click and wife, who are doing very good work and are just entering upon their third year at this place. The church is located on the corner of 22nd and Kiowa Streets. It is a frame structure, with full basement equipped for Sunday-school; also one apartment for manual training work for the Juniors, and is appreciated both by the boys and the girls of our community.

During the last year a parsonage was bought on the payment plan, in such a way that in due time the rent which would be paid on a parsonage is applied on the payment of the parsonage.

Because of the healthful climate of Colorado, members of our church are advised by their physician to seek Colorado. It is true we have a wonderful climate, and especially is it helpful to folks who have any indication of pulmonary diseases. For this reason many of our members have come to a certain altitude in Colorado which was recommended by their physician, and later, perhaps after they had been more or less permanently located, have learned that if they had had the information before making the move they might have located just as well as to climate, and as advantageously in a financial way, and at the same time could have located in one of our churches. Because of this we are glad at any time to answer inquiries by folks who think of locating in Colorado, as to the conditions of the country, and also as to where the desired church fellowship may be enjoyed. On account of a lack of information quite a few members have been lost to our church. A letter of inquiry to any of the members of the Mission Board, with a stamp enclosed, will be answered promptly, in this way we hope to extend the kingdom of God by conserving our membership and their children for the greater Church of the Brethren.

We have several small groups of members in localities where we would be glad to open up work if we had the financial means. Colorado Springs is a city of 47,000 souls. It is supplied with mountain water. The altitude is 6,000 feet. Living conditions are good here, and we think it a fine place for those members to locate who are looking towards such conditions.

Members of the District Board are: S. G. Nickey, 2302 W. Platte Ave., Colorado Springs, time expires, 1930. B. F. Stauffer, Rocky Ford, Colo., secretary-treasurer, time expires, 1929; Rev. I. J. Sollenberger, Denver, Colo., time expires, 1928.

S. G. Nickey.

OUR UNITED THANK OFFERING

What is the meaning of the name, United Thank Offering?

It is "United," because all of our churches will be given an opportunity to participate.

It is "Thank," because of God's goodness.

It is "Offering," because it will be our gift to God.

What is the opportunity?

To thank God for his blessings and to pray for and give to others through our Home Missionary Enterprise.

Who makes possible the Home Missionary program?

Givers—men, women, and children who have grateful hearts.

What amount is required for a year's program?

The total amount needed to cover the appropriations made by the General Board is about $50,000.

What are the interests participating in the $50,000?

Italian work, evangelism, mountain work, Ministerial Relief Fund, loans for church building, sending of pastors to needy fields.

How is this administered?

All mission work done by the General Mission Board is in coöperation with some District Mission Board. No appropriation is made without advice of the District Board. Twenty-three Districts are being helped this year.

Is this a part of Conference Budget, and a part of our local church quota for the year?

Yes.

Will special offering envelopes be provided?

Envelopes will be provided for each member of the congregation through the missionary committee or pastor.

"And must I be giving again and again?"

"Ah, no," said the angel looking me through.

"Just stop when the Father stops giving to you."

How can the pastor and missionary committee of the local church help in this great offering?

1. Bring this matter before your official board, the Sunday-school superintendent and the young people's society. Do not feel satisfied until every organization in the church has been supplied with envelopes.

2. Go through the church membership list, taking the name of every member who makes no missionary gift regularly, write the name on an envelope, and make a personal call, leaving the envelope and explaining its purpose.

3. Make a personal appeal at the church service, Sunday, Nov. 23.

4. Promote a Missionary-Thanksgiving program during the Thanksgiving season. Material will be supplied.

Where should the offering be sent?

Send offering to General Mission Board, Elgin, Illinois. Use remittance blank, back cover of this issue Missionary Visitor.

Let Home Missions be the object of your Thanksgiving contribution

The Women's Department

Conducted by Nora M. Rhodes

DALLAS CENTER, IOWA

Woman's Contribution to Home Mission Work in California

THE women of California have a unique opportunity to do veritable foreign mission work at home among their foreign-speaking neighbors who are simply dying for a "Little Bit of Love." May I illustrate? Gumicinda has three little children, aged one, two and three years, respectively. Her husband drinks and gambles, and often his wife and family go hungry. Gumicinda gets discouraged—really worries herself sick—and her baby gets sick. She takes her to the clinic for treatment and the clinic nurse makes several visits to Gumicinda's home. She and Gumicinda do not get along together. The nurse appealed to a Christian friend of Gumicinda, saying she was lazy and did not take proper care of the children. This friend paid Gumicinda a visit and found her out of patience with the nurse, who ordered her around and told her how to take care of her home. This Christian worker kindly and sympathetically carried out the nurse's program. When the nurse asked Gumicinda why she did things for the Christian friend, listen to her reply: "Oh, she loves me, and I will do anything for her, but not for you, who are paid to boss me."

The foreign-speaking women and girls are in a strange country amid strange people with a strange language and strange customs. Every Christian woman has a chance to simply radiate that love on the foreign-speaking people she comes in contact with if she tarry at the feet of Jesus long enough to learn how.

It is not absolutely necessary, though very advantageous, to speak their language, but it is very necessary to have a heart bubbling over with love which shines forth in a pleasant face and little deeds of kindness, bouquets of flowers, attempts to exchange lessons in English for lessons in the neighbor's native tongue, neighborliness in ways of learning American methods of sewing and home making, kindness in time of sickness, invitations to go along to church and Sunday-school. If the neighbor is a Mexican you may win her through a sharing of music, vocal or instrumental.

Some of us who have not been privileged to go to the foreign mission field may have the rare privilege of a taste of the foreign missionaries' joy in leading a few of those who know our blessed Master to his feet, if we are faithful in the little neighborly opportunities which he gives us.

Grace Hileman Miller.

Woman's heroic service in the past years has led to the splendid foundation of the Home Mission work of the women of the churches. The interest of the women in the advancement of God's kingdom in America was in evidence more than half a century ago. No task was too difficult for these pioneer women in all denominations.

Negro Work

Following the Civil War women established schools in the South for the education of the Negro, and now we see the results of their effort in an educated leadership from the Negro race.

While time and energy have been spent in combating ignorance, it will still take more time and energy to combat race prejudice. Yet the women of the churches are working at it with gratifying results. For eight years a group of southern church women, both white and colored, have worked as a part of the Interracial Commission of Atlanta to

promote better understanding between the races. Similar commissions have been organized in eleven southern States.

The conflict may be a long one, but in the hearts of Christians there can be no place for race hatred.

Losses Are Appalling

For several years Dr. H. K. Carroll has brought together statistics on church membership of all denominations. The total yearly loss of these communions is about half a million.

Surely missionary women have a responsibility here. Not only are we to heed the ringing call in our great commission verse, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel," but we must also list to that softer whisper, "Love thy neighbor as thyself." That neighbor—is she not the woman, the girl, next door, in the next block, who might be brought to Christ? And surely that is a truly missionary duty.—Women and Missions.

Monthly Program Outline for Women's Missionary Societies

Text—A Straight Way Toward Tomorrow.
Chapter 3—Books and Pictures.
Hymn—"Am I a Soldier of the Cross?"
2—Scripture—2 Tim. 1: 3-7; 3: 14-17; 1 Tim. 4: 12-16, with comments suggested on page 63.
3—Prayer.
4—Question and Answer Period.
Question 1—What are the facts about literacy in mission lands. 1. India. 2. Persia, 3. Siam, 4. China. Answer pages 67-70.
Question 2—As so few read in these lands, why concern ourselves about literature for them? Answer pages 64-66, 75-79.
Question 3—Why cannot these people supply their own reading matter? Answer pages 83-84.
Question 4—What kinds of pictures do our missionaries like to use? Answer pages 84-87, pages 87-91.
Question 5—What has been accomplished by the Christian Literature Committee? Answer pages 91-97.
5—Prayer for the publication work.
6—Hymn—"Publish Glad Tidings."

Birthdays of Our Women Missionaries

"Now I beseech you . . . that ye strive together with me in your prayers to God for me."

December

1—Mrs. Anna Blough, India.
1—Anna Brumbaugh, India.
6—Mrs. Jennie Miller, India.
11—Mrs. Susie Vaniman, China—now on furlough.
16—Mary Schaeffer, China.
21—Mrs. Minnie Bright, China—now on furlough.
22—Ruth Ulery, China.
Pray for our missionaries.

Rural Communities

Today the rural church is being studied as never before. In the State of Georgia, one denomination has seven consecrated young women from its Missionary Training School employed to work in the unchurched rural communities. These women work and live in the community, helping in the homes, sewing, nursing the sick and caring for the children. One worker says that after three months of intensive work in building up a community life, an evangelistic meeting was held and forty-six people joined the church. The plan is also being worked in Texas and Mississippi.

Social Service

Another valuable contribution is made by the women's societies through their social service activities. Jails are visited as well as orphanages, old folks' homes, county farms and city hospitals. Friendly interest is shown in the inmates.

FROM ONE WHO RECEIVES MINISTERIAL AID

"The ministerial aid comes as a veritable Godsend to these aged and afflicted veterans of the cross. As for myself, I oftentimes feel too unworthy to accept anything whatever, but I know full well that there are many who are deserving of manyfold more than they are now receiving. May the Holy Spirit continue to awaken the members to a full sense of what the church owes to those who have laid their lives on the altar for the extension of God's kingdom."

AFTER SIXTY YEARS

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ginning there has been preaching each Sunday morning.

The church was organized as a separate congregation Nov. 22. A. E. Nead was chairman. S. H. Garst was elected elder, and has served in that capacity since. Three deacons were elected and installed the same day.

The Sisters' Aid Society was organized Oct. 28, and has been meeting every two weeks. It has aided materially in the new church project.

A revival meeting was conducted by John R. Snyder in September, 1925. Another one was conducted by A. M. Laughrun in January, 1927, and a few meetings were held by S. Z. Smith in February, 1927.

The membership at the present time is 103. There are 83 resident members.

A lot was purchased in August, 1926. July 4, 1927, a ground-breaking service was held. The male quartette from Bridgewater sang, Benjamin Miller from McPherson gave an appropriate address, prayers were offered by John B. White and W. H. Swadley, and the pastor, Ralph E. White, turned the first shovel of dirt.

July 6 work commenced on the new building and we are hoping to occupy it within a few months.

The General Mission Board has largely made possible the carrying on of the work and the putting up of the new church. The people of the District have shown their interest by their help. Just now the good people in Virginia are being given an opportunity to help. Funds are still needed for the completion of the building.

Pray that a strong church may be developed here, and that it may be a power for righteousness in this section of our country.

Johnson City, Tenn.

A WIDOW IS HELPED

"When I get my check I lift my heart to God for what he has done for me. He has promised to take care of the widow, and 'He is faithful who has promised.' I send the tenth to the Mission Board."

THE YOUNGEST CHURCH IN THE SOUTHLAND

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An improvised arbor built by Bro. Showalter and his helpers, in which to hold a series of meetings, shows the way in which they do the very best they can with what they have. Later in the year a beautiful new church building replaced the arbor. The building must be seen and the conditions under which it was constructed must be known in order fully to appreciate the ability of Bro. Showalter as pastor, architect, and mechanic, the work all having been done under his direction as supervisor. The church building, grounds, and equipment represent an outlay of approximately $1,600, all except about $250 of which has come out of the Rosepine and Pleasant View communities, and all except about $200 of which has been met with cash and pledges. The fact that all of this has come from folks of very meagre means reflects splendid leadership and a wholesome, popular attitude. Bro. Showalter is fortunate in having an associate minister in the person of Bro. M. L. Woodhatch, one of the outstanding leaders and business men of the community, and their splendid team work is certain to accomplish great things in the work just ahead of them.

At present, the activities of the church consist of an Evergreen Sunday-school at the Pleasant View churchhouse, two preaching appointments per month at same place, weekly prayer meetings at Rosepine, one preaching appointment per month at the Union church in Rosepine, and participation in all the Sunday-school and young people's meetings at the Union church, the leaders and officers of which are for the most part members of the Brethren Church. The present total membership numbers a little more than fifty, most of the members owning their homes, which gives the work an element of permanence. Who would say that the money expended by the General Mission Board at this place has not been a great investment?

There are numerous other places in our great District with just as much promise as Rosepine, had we the money and workers available. "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest."

CHURCH LEADERS SPEAK CONCERNING RELIEF FUND

"It works fine for both the giver and the receiver—a great blessing to both. To provide comfort for the old, worn-out missionary, minister and worker is the least that can be done. Many of them labored for many years without any financial consideration at all, and those who have received support have received only meager support, and not to provide for their comfort in old age is in violation of the Gospel rule, that the laborer is worthy of his hire, and in violation of every known business principle. So let this fund be made equal to its purpose."—H. C. Early, Dayton, Va.

"The church has prospered most because of sustained consecration and sacrifice by her ministry and missionaries. What finer expression can a grateful Brotherhood make than to provide for practical necessities in illness or age? The plan is so thoroughly in harmony with the spirit of the Master that it recommends itself to every Christian conscience."—J. Hugh Heckman, Fruita, Colo.

"Years ago I met an aged preacher, who had retired from the active ministry. The best years of his life had been spent in helping other people. Now they were helping him, for he was retired on a support—superannuated. He was happy. He enjoyed life. He had done his work, and while waiting for the call to come up higher he did not have to suffer for the want of the necessities of life. The way he had been treated and provided for by his people was an encouragement for the younger ministers, for they knew that when worn out in the Master's work they would be taken care of.

"What if we had such a well-equipped provision in the Church of the Brethren? Our ministers would not need to spend so much of their time laying by for old age. They could give their best to the church, feeling that they would be looked after when too old to provide for themselves. Inside of the next ten years, on account of death, more than a million dollars will pass from under the control of wealthy members, go out into the world and be lost to the church. Why not, while living, turn this vast sum over to the Missionary and Ministerial Relief Fund and receive some credit for it both in heaven and on earth? Remember, God loves a cheerful giver, and especially a liberal giver."—J. H. Moore, Sebring, Fla.

"Referring to the enlargement of the Missionary and Ministerial Relief Fund I would say I am fully in accord with such endeavor. The church will never be fully equipped to meet the demands of the present in the Master's work until a sufficient fund is in hand to care for such workers and their dependents in their declining years. Most kindly yours."—D. H. Zigler, Broadway, Va.

AFTER SERVING 40 YEAR RELIEF FUND HELPS

For over forty years I served the church in a variety of positions, almost without compensation, nor did I ever consider the probability of the church coming to my rescue when I would be superannuated. But since I am not able to endure the rigid struggles of the evangelistic work of thirty years ago, nor my wife the care of the home, words fail us therefore to express the feeling of gratitude that springs spontaneously from our hearts once each quarter when from the Mission Board there comes this kindly and generous remembrance from the generous donors to this fund, who by so doing are fulfilling by these offerings Matt. 25: 35-36."

WHITHER BOUND IN HOME MISSIONS?

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the best. In this way we may contribute most rapidly both to the evangelization of our native land and to our efficiency abroad.

In this evaluation of the present, and survey of the future, no disparagement of the past is intended. It is, and will continue to be, difficult to equal the achievements of the fathers. This is only an effort to point out the way by which we may serve our generation as they did theirs.

Plan immediately your Thanksgiving offering for Home Missions

THE PLACE OF HOME MISSIONS

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Third, the foreign population coming to our country since the war has been phenomenal. The material prosperity has attracted them hither. If we are interested in the foreigner in his own country, surely we should be interested in him when he comes to ours to live. We should help him acquire and enjoy religion. Material prosperity without faith in God and spiritual insight produces undesirable citizens. We should do our full share in properly interpreting God to these people and in providing them social and spiritual fellowship.

In the fourth place, we are coming more and more to be a country with great cities. We continue to till the soil, but our increasing manufacturing and commercial interests have huddled us together. People who live close together must come to know each other and have certain bonds of sympathy. To live close together physically and yet to live far apart socially furnishes fertile soil for class pride and class hatred.

The mental and physical differences and the varied professional lines among a people huddled together demand some process of social sympathy and solidarity, if we are to be saved from vice, crime and class strife. The one unifying Personality is Jesus Christ. He alone can break down the barriers between peoples, races and nations and build, of all, one great brotherhood. Our church, while continuing to strengthen her hold on the country, should at the same time do her full share in Christianizing the city. The cities will submerge this nation if this transforming process is not vigorously carried on.

Adequately to prepare for and carry on this home mission program requires a renewed and consistent teaching of the principles of Christian Stewardship. If we are to expect kingdom expansion there must be growth in grace. A self-centered membership is powerless when it comes to leading an advance against sin and the powers of darkness. The God-centered souls of the first century put the Christian religion in the cities and villages of all Asia, and made commendable progress in Southern Europe and Northern Africa. As long as the church members draw a line between the material and the spiritual they lay the foundation for sordid, selfish living.

In the next place, the church must be thoroughly and adequately evangelistic. We need and will need a prophetic ministry; a ministry whose chief desire is to cure souls. When our ministry practice the presence of God they will become on fire for him. Then the church will be guided by men crying, "Woe is me if I preach not the Gospel." John Knox with such a passion cried, "Give me Scotland or I die." When the ministry of this country preach more sermons on vital Biblical truth and deliver fewer addresses on popular themes of the day, the day dawn and the day star of church extension in our own land will appear.

Moreover, we must have a return to first-century lay service and preaching. As long as church members are afraid to talk religion to their neighbors, that long we will see the insolvency of the church and the decay of society. "Parish evangelism," "individual work with individuals," "won by one," "visitation evangelism," are phrases often heard these days. Pray that the Spirit give the lay members of our church the baptism of Pentecost, so the above phrases may take on signs of life.

Lastly, there must come an increase of giving if the work on the home field is to go forward adequately. Some one has said, "The kingdom of God can never be established by raising money; but it can never be extended without raising money." As long as it is easy to spend money for our own comforts and hard to give for the work of the kingdom, just that long the Lord cannot bless us spiritually. It is a sad commentary when one absents oneself from Christian services or withdraws from church fellowship because the church is constantly asking for money. When our giving tallies with the songs of loyalty and devotion which we sing, the cause will not suffer for lack of funds. What empty tinkling cymbals we become when we sing,

"Lord, I care not for riches
Neither silver and gold,"

and proceed to withhold what belongs to the Lord for the promotion of his kingdom.

The General Mission Board has designated the month of November as the time to em-

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FINANCIAL REPORT

Conference Offering, 1927. As of September 30, 1927, the Conference (Budget) offering for the year ending February 29, 1928, stands as follows:
Cash received since March 1, 1928 .....$141,471.95
(The 1927 Budget of $408,300.00 is 34.6% raised, whereas it should be 58.3%.)

Mission Board Treasury Statement. The following shows the condition of mission finances on September 30, 1927:

Income since March 1, 1927	$162,447.98
Income same period last year	169,964.21
Expense since March 1, 1927	223,893.84
Expense same period last year	190,194.96
Mission deficit September 30, 1927	70,330.47
Mission deficit August 31, 1927	46,428.67
Increase in deficit for September, 1927	23,901.80

Tract Distribution: During the month of August the Board sent out 1,859 doctrinal tracts.

Correction No. 17: See October, 1927, Visitor under Africa Mission. Credit of $10.00 to Mothers and Daughters' Association of Brookville, Southern Ohio, should instead have been "Mothers' Society."

August Receipts: The following contributions for the various funds were received during August:

WORLD-WIDE MISSIONS

California—$183.49
No. Dist., Cong.: Butte Valley, $10.80; S. W. Fahnestock (Oakland), $10; John H. Price (M. N.) (Modesto), $.50; S. S.: Live Oak, $1.76; McFarland, $22.97; Oakland, $25, $ 71.03
So. Dist., Cong.: Pasadena, $86.96; Will and Lulu Terford (First Los Angeles), $25; E. M. Studebaker (M. N.) (La Verne), $.50, 112.46

Colorado—$27.45
E. Dist., Cong.: Colorado Springs, ... 27.45

Florida—$18.90
S. S.: Sebring, ... 18.90

Illinois—$117.13
No. Dist., Cong.: Lanark, $20; O. W. Neher (M. N.) (Mt. Morris), $1; C. C. Price and Wife (Polo), $25; S. S.: Sterling, $11.94; Louisa (Waddams Grove), $5.51; Aid Soc.: Franklin Grove, $50, ... 113.45
So. Dist., Cong.: Girard, ... 3.68

Indiana—$529.88
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Clear Creek, $10.45; So. Whitley, $32; W. Manchester, $29.40; S. S.: Beaver Creek, $22.44; Burnettsville, $8.20; Hickory Grove, $5, ... 107.49
N. Dist., Cong.: Blissville, $21; Blue River, $3.75; Maple Grove, $18.59; Oak Grove, $13.20; Pleasant Valley, $25.69; Union Center, $80.26; W. Goshen, $128.52; Yellow Creek, $12.83; Mrs. Ben Jontz (Walnut), $10, ... 313.84
So. Dist., Cong.: Four Mile, $62.75; Pyrmont, $41.50; Indv.: Rosetta Arndt, $4.30, .. 108.55

Iowa—$526.63
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Olin F. Shaw (Cedar Rapids), $15; C. Z. Reitz (Maxwell), $39.33, . 54.33
No. Dist., Cong.: So. Waterloo, $471.80; J. S. Sherfy (M. N.) (Franklin County), $.50, 472.30

Kansas—$43.99
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Topeka, $7.50; Ada Correll (Granada), $5; S. S. Granada, $1.62; Washington, $7.45; Y. P. D.: Richland Center, $9.17, ... 30.74
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Lizzie Shank (Osage), $5; D. V. B. S.: Galesburg, $3.25, ... 13.25

Louisiana—$9.98
S. S.: Roanoke, ... 9.98

Maryland—$18.51
E. Dist., S. S.: Pleasant Hill (Bush Creek), 2.50
W. Dist., Cong.: Bear Creek, $10; Georges Creek, $6.01, ... 16.01

Michigan—$37.72
Cong.: Bear Lake, $6.01; Midland, $8.16; Ozark, $6; Pontiac, $11.30; Samuel Bowser (M. N.) ((Elmdale), $.50; D. V. B. S.: Harlan, $5.75, ... 37.72

Missouri—$65.32
Mid. Dist., Cong.: So. Warrensburg, $23; Warrensburg, $9.65, ... 32.65
No. Dist., Cong.: Rockingham, $3.83; S. S.: Wakenda, $13.84, ... 17.67
S. W. Dist., Cong.: C. W. Gitt (Cabool), .. 15.00

Nebraska—$4.15
Cong.: Octavia, ... 4.15

Ohio—$340.28
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Ashland City, $5.57; Goshen and White Cottage, $6; Kent, $9; Loudonville, $10; Mohican, $23; Laura Shively (New Philadelphia), $1; Mrs. Clayton Lehman, (Zion Hill), $2; S. S.: Owl Creek, $9.10; Zion Hill, $10.60; D. V. B. S.: Woodworth, $10.58, ... 86.85
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Bellefontaine, $5; County Line, $32.25; Deshler, $33; Dupont, $3.20; Portage, $5; Rome, $27.75, ... 106.20
So. Dist., Cong.: Bear Creek, $9.78; Brookville, $16.52; Cedar Grove, $16.90; Happy Corner, $5.76; V. B. Wright (M. N.) (E. Dayton), $.50; Roy Hollinger and Wife (Harris Creek), $50; Kathryn Kiracofe (Upper Twin), $2.00; S. S.: Castine, $20.82; Harris Creek, $18.40; D. V. B. S.: Painter Creek, $6.55, ... 147.23

Pennsylvania—$948.27
E. Dist., Cong.: Reading, $30.90; Lititz, $38.92; E. Fairview, $19.81; Chiques, $25; Conestoga, $12.78; Ephrata, $18; Midway, $27; Springville, $68; Big Swatara, $19.60; W. Green Tree, $33.63; A Brother (Spring Creek), $2; Rosalinda Young (Indian Creek), $5; No. 99759 and Mother (Richland), $25; Unknown donor (Elizabethtown), $2.00; S. S.: Fredericksburg, $13.25; E. Petersburg, $10.36; Manheim (White Oak), $56.64; E. Fairview, $18.85; Lansdale (Hatfield), $46; Indian Creek, $26.14; Reading, 11.03; Annville, $45.55; Hatfield, $7; Ephrata, $22.21; Akron, $5; D. V. B. S.: Conestoga, $33.54, ... 623.21
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Hollidaysburg, $5.06; Lewistown, $98.35; Susan Rouzer (Dunnings Creek), $5; Mary A. Kinsey (Dunnings Creek). $10; S. S.: James Creek, $4; Maitland (Dry Valley), $7.12; Yellow Creek, $5.68; Curryville (Woodbury), $6.73; Rock Hill (Aughwick), $4.40, ... 146.34
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Norristown, ... 22.86
So. Dist., Cong.: Carlisle, $15; Brandts (Back Creek), $2.62; Shank (Back Creek), $3; Mary Bixler (York), $1; S. S.: Melrose (Upper Codorus), $10.42; Pleasant Hill (Codorus), $4.15; New Fairview, $15.20; D. V. B. S.: Carlisle, $7.75, ... 59.14
W. Dist., Cong.: Locust Grove, 10.66; Ligonier, $15; Redbank, $5.95; Meyersdale, $20; Mt. Joy, $14.87; Mrs. R. T. Idleman (Ten Mile), $4; D. P. Hoover (M. N.) (Windber), $.50; M. J. Brougher (M. N.) (Greensburg), $.50; Indv.: Mrs. Annie Link, $5; Pastors' Conf. at Camp Harmony, $20.24, 96.72

Virginia—$197.62
E. Dist., Cong.: Mt. Carmel, $6.96; S. S.: Valley, $16.31, ... 23.27
N. Dist., Cong.: Mill Creek, ... 76.35
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Pleasant Valley, $80; C. B. Smith (Bridgewater), $.50; Geo. R. Robertson (Chimney Run), $6.13; S. S.: Bridgewater, $11.37, ... 98.00

Washington—$2.50
Cong.: C. Ernest Davis (M. N.) (Wenatchee), $.50; Indv.: Zora Baer, $2, ... 2.50
West Virginia—$17.00
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Albert M. DeMoss, (Bethany), $4; Orpha Kirk (Pleasant Hill). $4; Flora E. Gaines (Pleasant Valley), $1; Indv.: Jesse Judy, $3; H. O. Poling, $5, .. 17.00
Wisconsin—$1.00
S. S.: Maple Grove, ... 1.00

Total for the month, ...$ 3,089.82
Total previously reported, ... 22,383.56

Total for the year, ...$25,473.38

STUDENT FELLOWSHIP FUND 1926-27

Canada—$22.00
Cong.: Redcliff, ...$ 22.00
Illinois—$123.95
No. Dist., Volunteer Band Bethany Bible School, ... 123.95
Kansas—$4.00
S. W. Dist., Cong.: McPherson, ... 4.00
Pennsylvania—$187.00
E. Dist., Student Volunteer Band Elizabethtown College, ... 187.00
Virginia—$174.72
Sec. Dist., Bridgewater College, ... 174.72

Total for the month, ...$ 511.67
Total previously reported, ... 1,616.89

Total for the year, ...$ 2,128.56

AID SOCIETY FOREIGN MISSION FUND

California—$75.00
So. Dist., Aid Societies, ...$ 75.00
Illinois—$144.00
So. Dist., Aid Societies, ...$ 144.00
Indiana—$8.00
No. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 8.00

Total for the month, ...$ 227.00
Total previously reported, ... 2,825.12

Total for the year, ...$ 3,052.12

HOME MISSIONS

Iowa—$40.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Beaver, ...$ 40.00
Kansas—$32.50
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Galesburg, ... 32.50
Maryland—$107.75
E. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. W. B. Yount, (Meadow Branch), ... 100.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Cherry Grove, ... 7.75
Ohio—$16.00
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Mohican, ... 14.00
N. W. Dist., Cong.: County Line, ... 2.00

Total for the month, ...$ 196.25
Total previously reported, ... 258.07

Total for the year, ...$ 454.32

GREENE COUNTY, VIRGINIA, MISSION

California—$3.80
So. Dist., Blue Bird Class (Pomona), ...$ 3.80
Missouri—$6.33
No. Dist., D. V. B. S.: Wakenda, ... 6.33

Total for the month, ...$ 10.13
Total previously reported, ... 243.04

Total for the year, ...$ 253.17

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Florida—$11.70
Cong.: Brooksville, $6.00; Zion, $5.70, ...$ 11.70
Colorado—$5.00
E. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Walter Zunkel (Sterling), ... 5.00
Indiana—$25.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Bertha M. Neher, (No. Winona Lake), ... 25.00
Ohio—$5.08
So. Dist., S. S.: Middletown, ... 5.08
Pennsylvania—$45.55
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Geiger Memorial, $40; S. S.: Harmonyville, $5.55, ... 45.55
Virginia—$75.00
Sec. Dist., Cong.: No. 99616 (Beaver Creek), 75.00

Total for this month, ...$ 167.33
Total previously reported, ... 1,826.97

Total for the year, ...$ 1,994.30

JUNIOR LEAGUE—1926

Ohio—$26.35
So. Dist., S. S.: Pleasant Hill, ...$ 26.35

Total for the month, ...$ 26.35
Total previously reported, ... 786.10

Total for the year, ...$ 812.45

JUNIOR LEAGUE—1927

California—$21.51
So. Dist., D. V. B. S.: Hermosa Beach, ..$ 21.51
Illinois—$55.79
No. Dist., Cong.: Martha, Wilbur, Forrest, and Ruth Stern (Waddams Grove), $8.85; D. V. B. S.: Douglas Park (Chicago), $17.52; Hastings St. (Chicago), $17.13, ...$ 43.50
So. Dist., "Sunshine Band" (Astoria), $5; D. V. B. S.: Big Creek, $7.29, ... 12.29
Michigan—$6.11
Cong.: Pontiac, ... 6.11
Missouri—$2.05
S. W. Dist., D. V. B. S.: Carthage, ... 2.05
Nebraska—$5.00
Junior League, Omaha, ... 5.00
Ohio—$9.00
N. E. Dist., D. V. B. S.: E. Nimishillen, 9.00
Pennsylvania—$16.34
Mid. Dist., D. V. B. S.: Curryville (Woodbury), ... 10.00
S. E. Dist., Junior League, Norristown, .. 6.34
Wisconsin—$14.50
S. S.: Stanley, $8.00; D. V. B. S.: Maple Grove, $6.50, ... 14.50

Total for the month, ...$ 130.30
Total previously reported, ... 158.52

Total for the year, ...$ 288.82

B. Y. P. D. FUND 1927-28

Iowa—$25.00
S. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Mt. Etna,.....$ 25.00

Total for the month, ...$ 25.00
Total previously reported, ... 378.07

Total for the year, ...$ 403.07

INDIA MISSION

Kansas—$3.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Fannie Stevens (Osage),$ 3.00
Maryland—$13.25
W. Dist., Cong.: Bethesda (Maple Grove), 13.25
Nebraska—$6.50
Union D. V. B. S. (Kearney), ... 6.50
Ohio—$268.50
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Hartville, $200; E. Nimishillen, $68.50, ... 268.50
Pennsylvania—$63.63
E. Dist., Cong.: Akron, $9.85; Little Swatara, $31.58; S. S.: Fredericksburg, $13.53; D. V. B. S.: Spring Creek, $8.67, ...$ 63.63
Washington—$1.00
Cong.: M. A. Vorbeck (Okanogan), ... 1.00

Total for the month, ...$ 355.88
Total previously reported, ... 1,053.40

Total for the year, ...$ 1,409.28

INDIA NATIVE WORKER

Nebraska—$10.00
Indv.: J. E. Young, ...$ 10.00

Total for the month, ...$ 10.00

Total previously reported, ... 335.00

Total for the year, ...$ 345.00

INDIA BOARDING SCHOOL

Illinois—$17.91
So. Dist., Cong.: Panther Creek, ...$ 17.91

Indiana—$5.33
No. Dist., Cong.: Intermediate Group of Boys and Girls (Rock Run), ... 5.33

Kansas—$10.00
S. W. Dist., S. S.: First Wichita, ... 10.00

Pennsylvania—$2.10
Mid. Dist., Cong.: New Enterprise, ... 2.10

Total for the month, ...$ 35.34
Total previously reported, ... 435.81

Total for the year, ...$ 471.15

INDIA SHARE PLAN

California—$93.50
No. Dist., S. S.: "I Will" Class, Empire, $ 12.50
So. Dist., S. S.: Friendship Bible Class, Pasadena, $31; Loyal Bible Class, Pasadena, $50; 81.00

Indiana—$12.50
No. Dist., S. S.: Pleasant Chapel, ... 12.50

Minnesota—$25.00
Y. P. D.: Minneapolis, ... 25.00

Ohio—$12.50
N. W. Dist., S. S.: Primary Classes, Pleasant View, ... 12.50

Pennsylvania—$50.00
W. Dist., S. S.: Young People's Bible Class, Beachdale (Berlin) $25; "Welcome All Bible Class," Scalp Level, $25, ... 50.00

Total for the month, ...$ 193.50
Total previously reported, ... 2,160.25

Total for the year, ...$ 2,353.75

QUINTER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Nebraska—$10.00
Indv.: Mrs. M. J. Kanost, ...$ 10.00

Pennsylvania—$30.00
E. Dist., S. S.: "Gleaners' Class," Ephrata, 30.00

Total for the month, ...$ 40.00
Total previously reported, ... 60.00

Total for the year, ...$ 100.00

McCANN MEMORIAL CHURCH

Iowa—$138.30
N. Dist., S. S.: Sheldon, ...$ 138.30

Total for the month, ...$ 138.30
Total previously reported, ... 57.99

Total for the year, ...$ 196.29

CHINA MISSION

Indiana—$5.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. David Hay (N. Liberty), ...$ 5.00

Iowa—$10.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Eli Ulrey (Prairie City), 10.00

Kansas—$3.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Fannie Stevens (Osage), ... 3.00

Pennsylvania—$54.50
E. Dist., Cong.: Heidelberg, $30; Spring Grove, $13.50, ... 43.50
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Brooklyn Italian Mission, 11.00

Total for the month, ...$ 72.50
Total previously reported, ... 1,195.28

Total for the year, ...$ 1,267.78

CHINA BOYS' SCHOOL

Pennsylvania—$46.70
E. Dist., D. V. B. S.: Lancaster, ...$ 11.70
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Huntingdon, ... 35.00

Total for the month, ...$ 46.70

Total previously reported, ... 24.03

Total for the year, ...$ 70.73

CHINA GIRLS' SCHOOL

Pennsylvania—$11.71
E. Dist., D. V. B. S.: Lancaster, ...$ 11.71

Total for the month, ...$ 11.71
Total previously reported, ... 1.03

Total for the year, ...$ 12.74

CHINA SHARE PLAN

Maryland—$6.25
E. Dist., Cong.: Mission Study Class, (Long Green Valley), ...$ 6.25

Ohio—$25.00
N. E. Dist., S. S.: H. & F. Chippewa, .. 25.00

Washington—$15.00
S. S.: Richland Valley, ... 15.00

Total for the month, ...$ 46.25
Total previously reported, ... 854.18

Total for the year, ...$ 900.43

LIAO CHOU HOSPITAL

Pennsylvania—$19.88
E. Dist., D. V. B. S.: Lititz, ...$ 19.88

Total for the month, ...$ 19.88
Total previously reported, ... 13.35

Total for the year, ...$ 33.23

SWEDEN MISSION

Pennsylvania—$50.00
E. Dist., Aid Soc.: Annville, ...$ 50.00

Total for the month, ...$ 50.00
Total previously reported, ... 26.95

Total for the year, ...$ 76.95

AFRICA MISSION

California—$10.35
No. Dist., Cong.: Oakland, ...$ 10.35

Indiana—$15.00
So. Dist., Aid Soc.: White Branch, ...$ 15.00

Kansas—$3.50
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Fannie Stevens (Osage), 3.50

Maryland—$6.42
W. Dist., Cong.: Oak Grove, $3.37; D. V. B. S.: Cherry Grove, $3.05, ...$ 6.42

Michigan—$7.16
Cong.: Midland, ... 7.16

Minnesota—$7.50
S. S.: Intermediate Girls Class (Root (River), ... 7.50

Ohio—$14.78
So. Dist., D. V. B. S.: Harris Creek, ... 14.78

Pennsylvania—$74.57
E. Dist., S. S.: "Whatsoever Circle of King's Daughters" Willowdale, $5; D. V. B. S.: Spring Creek, $8.68, ... 13.68
S. E. Dist., Cong.: No. 99794 (First Philadelphia), $20; Aid Soc.: Parker Ford, $15, 35.00
W. Dist., S. S.: "Missionary Helpers," Conemaugh (Johnstown) $10; D. V. B. S.: Pleasant Hill, $15.89, ... 25.89

Wisconsin—$2.50
Aid Soc.: Rice Lake, ... 2.50

Total for the month, ...$ 141.78
Total previously reported, ... 1,997.87

Total for the year, ...$ 2,139.65

AFRICA SHARE PLAN

Pennsylvania—$25.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: "Golden Rule Bible Class," Lewistown, ...$ 25.00

Total for the month, ...$ 25.00
Total previously reported, ... 333.40

Total for the year, ...$ 358.40

MINISTERIAL AND MISSIONARY RELIEF

Indiana—$5.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: R. H. Miller (Manchester), ... $ 5.00

Total for the month, ... $ 5.00
Total previously reported, ... 31.50

Total for the year, ... $ 36.50

NEAR EAST RELIEF

Pennsylvania—$78.00
E. Dist., S. S.: Young Men's Bible Class, Lebanon, $25; Midway, $12; Elizabeth Martin's Class, Midway, $11; "Character Builders' Class," Midway, $10; "Willing Workers" Class, Midway, $10; Hannah Binner's Class, Midway, $10, ... $ 78.00

Total for the month, ... $ 78.00
Total previously reported, ... 508.74

Total for the year, ... $ 586.74

GENERAL RELIEF

Michigan—$1.00
Indv.: Unknown donor of Brutus, ... $ 1.00

Total for the month, ... $ 1.00
Total previously reported, ... 50.00

Total for the year, ... $ 51.00

CONFERENCE BUDGET

Indiana—$248.43
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Santa Fe, ... $ 22.55
No. Dist., Cong.: Mt. Pleasant, $50.88; New Paris, $45; Rock Run, $130, ... 225.88

Ohio—$135.53
So. Dist., Cong.: Donnels Creek, $23.50; New Carlisle, $112.03, ... 135.53

Pennsylvania—$10.00
S. E. Dist., Aid Soc.: Parker Ford, ... 10.00

Total for the month, ... $ 393.96
Total previously reported, ... 56,637.61

Total for the year, ... $57,031.57

CONFERENCE BUDGET DESIGNATED

Illinois—$4.61
So. Dist., S. S.: Astoria, ... $ 4.61

Total for the month, ... $ 4.61
Total previously reported, ... 66.77

Total for the year, ... $ 71.38

STUDENT LOAN FUND

Virginia—$10.83
E. Dist., Cong.: Manassas, ... $ 10.83

Total for the month, ... $ 10.83
Total previously reported, ... 00.00

Total for the year, ... $ 10.83

MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

California—$84.93
So. Dist., La Verne Cong. for Ernest Vaniman and wife and Lynn Blickenstaff and wife, ... $ 84.93

Indiana—$504.58
Mid. Dist., Student Volunteers of Manchester College for Clara Harper, ... 34.86
No. Dist., Missionary Society (First South Bend) for Dorothy Summer, $50; Sunday Schools for Mary Schaeffer and Marguerite Burke, $419.72, ... 469.72

Iowa—$77.63
No. Dist., Ivester Cong. for W. Harlan Smith and family, ... 1.00
So. Dist., North English S. S. for Nettie Senger, ... 76.63

Kansas—$6.25
S. E. Dist., Parsons S. S. for Emma Eby, 6.25

Missouri—$55.00
Mid. Dist., Congregations for Jennie Mohler, 55.00

Ohio—$325.41
N. E. Dist., Owl Creek Cong. for Lola Helser, ... 45.16
N. W. Dist., Pleasant View S. S. for Ellen H. Wagoner, ... 275.00
So. Dist., Happy Corner S. S. (Lower Stillwater) for Betty Jeane Brooks, ... 5.25

Pennsylvania—$70.00
E. Dist., Richland Cong. for B. Mary Royer, 50.00
Mid. Dist., Cong. and S. S., Albright, for Olivia D. Ikenberry, ... 20.00

Total for the month, ... $ 1,123.80
Total previously reported, ... 24,430.86

Total for the year, ... $25,554.66

NON-RESIDENT MEMBERS

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Here is a list of expressions of appreciation received. We can't recognize all:

"Glad to hear from the old church people. Glad for Bro. Lear's 'New Year's Message.' It is grand!" —Mrs. Minnie Burch, Albright, W. Va.

"I surely do appreciate the message you sent me. I would love to receive one quite often. It is encouraging to know that some brethren and sisters are thinking of us lonely ones."—Mrs. Jennie Davison, Orleans, Nebr.

"I thank you for your New Year's message. It was like a letter from home. A message from no one else could have pleased me so well. I regret very much that I belong to the isolated group of members, but, like most of them, by force of circumstances I have been compelled to be separated from the church. At the same time I have never seen fit to give up the church. I go to other churches regularly and take an active part, but at the same time I prefer working in my own church."—Mr. J. H. Ketring, H. S. Principal, Shipman, Ill.

"We are very grateful for the letter message. There is something about these personal letters that is not to be had in the church papers. You feel some one is interested, some one cares."—Miss Ann Calvert, Belfast, Ohio.

"I am so glad for your letter to the folks who are more or less isolated from the regular fellowship of the Dunkard Church. I like the idea of keeping in touch with them. I have filled out the card as requested. We should be pleased to hear from the Home Department at any time. We have a very vital interest in all the activities of the church."—Rev. Albert C. Schue, H. S. Teacher and Pastor of Community Church, Chagrin Falls, Ohio.

"Was truly glad for the letter from you, and to receive the message to non-resident members. It always does me so much good to read them. It gives one new life."—Mrs. Celestia Bardwick, Summerfield, Kans.

THE PLACE OF HOME MISSIONS

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phasize the home work. Conference endorsed the action. Together for a bigger and more spiritual church in America, let us pray, work and give. Fifty thousand dollars for that month; a worthy cause; a meager amount measured by the needs and the open doors.

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Bollinger, Amsey and Florence, 1922
Finckh, Elsie, 1925
Hersch, Orville and Mabel, 1925
Kline, Alvin, 1926
Wampler, Nelie, 1922

Dayton, Va.

Early, H. C., and Emma, 1925

In Pastoral Service

Bowman, Price and Elsie, Bassett, Va., 1925
Fahnestock, Rev. and Mrs. S. G., 1059 Michigan Ave., Portland, Ore., 1927
Haney, R. A. and Irva, Merrill, Md., 1925
Horner, W. J. and Hazel, 3122 Ellis Ave., Fort Worth, Texas
Scrogum, Arthur and Marie, Accident, Md., 1926
Showalter, R. K. and Florence, Rose Pine, La., 1926
White, Ralph and Matie, 1206 E. Holston Ave., Johnson City, Tenn., 1923

SWEDEN

Spanhusvagen 38, Malmö, Sweden

Graybill, J. F., and Alice, 1911
Buckingham, Ida, 1913

CHINA

Liao Chow, Shansi, China

Pollock, Myrtle, 1917
Senger, Nettie M., 1916
Shock, Laura J., 1916

Ping Ting Chow, Shansi, China

Crumpacker, F. H., 1908
Flory, Edna R., 1917
Metzger, Minerva, 1910
Schaeffer, Mary, 1917

Show Yang, Shansi, China

Neher, Minneva J., 1924
Ulery, Ruth F., 1926

T'ung Chow, Chihli, China

Coffman, Dr. Carl, 1921, and Lulu, 1919
Flory, Byron M., and Nora, 1917
Heisey, Walter J., and Sue, 1917
Oberholtzer, I. E., and Elizabeth, 1916
Seese, Norman A., and Anna, 1917

On Furlough

Baker, Elizabeth, 506 Wayne Ave., Greenville, O., 1922
Bright, J. Homer and Minnie, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1911
Ikenberry, E. L. and Olivia, 3343 Whitney Ave., Mt. Carmel, Conn., 1922
Brubaker, L. S., and Marie, 1031½ W. 34th St., Los Angeles, Calif., 1924
Clapper, V. Grace, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1917
Cline, Mary E., 900 Franklin, Roaring Spring, Pa., 1920
Flory, Raymond, and Lizzie, R. 4, Grants Pass, Ore., 1914
Crumpacker, Anna, McPherson, Kans., 1908
Horning, Dr. D. L., and Martha, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
Horning, Emma, 400 So. Homan Ave., Chicago, Ill., 1908
Hutchison, Anna, Easton, Md., 1911
Myers, Minor M., and Sara, Bridgewater, Va., 1919
Smith, W. Harlan and Frances, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1920
Sollenberger, O. C., and Hazel, % J. W. Coppock, Tippecanoe City, Ohio, 1919
Vaniman, Ernest D., and Susie, La Verne, Calif., 1913
Wampler, Dr. Fred J., and Rebecca, Accomac, Va., 1913

AFRICA

Garkida, Nigeria, West African, via Jos

Beahm, Wm. M., and Esther, 1924
Burke, Dr. Homer L., and Marguerite, 1923
Flohr, Earl W., and Ella, 1926
Gibbel, Dr. J. Paul, and Verda, 1926
Harper, Clara, 1926
Heckman, Clarence C., and Lucile, 1924
Helser, Albert D., 1922, and Lola, 1923
Robertson, Dr. Russell L., and Bertha C., 1927
*Kulp, H. Stover, 1922, and Christina, 1927
‡Mallott, Floyd, 1924
Shisler, Sara, 1926

*At Dille. ‡At Gardemna.

On Furlough

Mallott, Ruth B., North Manchester, Indiana, 1924

INDIA

Ahwa, Dangs, India

Garner, H. P., and Kathryn, 1916

Anklesvar, Broach Dist., India

Grisso, Lillian, 1917
Long, I. S., and Effie, 1903
Moomaw, I. W., and Mabel, 1923
Shickel, Elsie, 1921
Woods, Beulah, 1924

Bulsar, Surat Dist., India

Blickenstaff, Lynn A., and Mary, 1920
Blickenstaff, Verna M., 1919
Brumbaugh, Anna B., 1919
Butterbaugh, A. G., and Bertha, 1919
Cottrell, Dr. A. R., and Laura, 1913
Miller, Arthur S. B., and Jennie, 1919
Mohler, Jennie, 1916
Roop, Ethel, 1926
Shumaker, Ida C., 1910
Stoner, Susan L., 1927

Dahanu Road, Thana Dist., India

Ebbert, Ella, 1917
Metzger, Dr. Ida, 1925
Nickey, Dr. Barbara M., 1915
Royer, B. Mary, 1913
Wolf, L. Mae, 1922

Jalalpor, Surat Dist., India

Miller, Eliza B., 1900

Vada, Thana Dist., India

Kaylor, John I., 1911 and Ina, 1921
Swartz, Goldie E., 1916

Palghar, Thana Dist., India

Alley, Howard L., and Hattie, 1917

Post Umalla, via Anklesvar, India

Lichty, D. J., 1902, and Anna, 1912
Widdowson, Olive, 1912
Ziegler, Kathryn, 1908

Vyara, via Surat Dist., India

Blough, J. M., and Anna, 1903
Brooks, Harlan J., and Ruth, 1924
Mow, Anetta, 1917

Burjor Bag, Lunsikui, Navsare, India

Mow, Baxter M., and Anna, 1923

On Furlough

Ebey, Adam, and Alice, North Manchester, Ind., 1900
Hollenberg, Fred M., and Nora, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
Kintner, Elizabeth, Ney, Ohio, 1919
Miller, Sadie J., R. F. D., Waterloo, Iowa, 1903
Shull, Chalmer and Mary, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
Summer, B. F., and Nettie, 3435 W. Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
Wagoner, J. E., and Ellen, North Manchester, Ind., 1919

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Not only the economically helpless, the widows and orphans and invalids who depend upon invested funds for their livelihood, are affected by the swindling evil, said Mr. Simmons, but skilled workmen, manufacturers and merchants also suffer losses at the hands of the fraudulent promoter. This is the result of competition with fly-by-night concerns whose fundamental purpose is to manufacture and sell securities rather than those products they sometimes extensively advertise. Capital which

Warns Against Airplane Stocks

Special to THE WALL STREET JOURNAL

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Editorial

Good Words for the Visitor

"I am enclosing a $1 check to subscribe for the Visitor. I became interested in the Africa Mission through a good friend, a minister in your church, who came to us and gave a wonderful address. While I belong to the Presbyterian church, my heart is large enough to take in all missionary workers. It is a delight to be in touch with your missionary work through the Missionary Visitor."—A Woman in Southeastern Pennsylvania.

"I want to commend you for the very splendid editorial in the October Visitor. The best thing I have seen along that line in a long time. It certainly hits the mark and puts up the present day situation in a challenging way."—A Brother in the East.

Young People Are Interested in Missions

Recently the workers in the Mission Rooms received questions from the Des Moines, Iowa, young people. Their questions and the answers given are as follows:

1. Why does a missionary risk his life to teach the Gospel?

Matt. 16: 21-26 expresses the spirit in which a missionary goes to the field. Ordinarily, modern missionary work is not dangerous to the life or limb. There are diseases, such as malaria and plague, which are more prevalent in the Orient than in America, and so a missionary does have more chance of illness. Further than this, the heavy strain of missionary work draws on one's vitality, so that missionaries are more susceptible to disease than they would be in America. The hot climates are very hard on one's energy.

Our work in Africa is different from China and India, in that it is of a pioneer type. Workers have gone interior, where there are no rapid means of communication, and have no other medical facilities than what they provide themselves. Three of our missionaries are quite a distance away from any medical help.

2. Do missionaries feel that life is as precious to them as to other individuals?

Life is precious to missionaries, just as much so as to any one else. Pain, suffering, and death are just as hard for missionaries as for any other people, but missionaries do not live their lives for self, but for others. Life is not an aim in itself, but is lived in order that service may be rendered and that others may realize the abundant life from God which Jesus revealed to us.

You will remember the story of the rich young man who came to Jesus and asked what he must do to be saved. Jesus told him he must sell all and give it to the poor.

The young man went away sorrowful, for he was one who had many possessions. My interpretation of the story is that the young man had nothing else but his possessions and had he given them away he would have had nothing. This is not true of missionaries, for life to them does not consist of houses and lands, but of faith in God and the spirit of service to others. A good many Christians at home take the same attitude toward life, and in a limited sense share equally with the missionaries in the evangelization of the world.

3. Does missionary work today require as much as or more courage than it did years ago?

The physical hardships of missionary work are not so great today as formerly, when missionary work was in its pioneer stages. Since our Africa work is in its pioneer stages, I see very little difference between it and the missionary work of years ago.

The spiritual difficulties of mission work are just as great as formerly. It is just as hard or harder to lead men from sin to righteousness.

The word "courage" in your question implies victory over fear. I think the missionaries do not have much fear. When a young person volunteers for the mission field, he not only gives a portion of his property, such as we do when we give a missionary offering, but he gives his all unreservedly, and fear plays a very small part in a missionary's life. It might be compared to a mother who cares for her child who has a highly contagious disease. The mother may realize that she is in danger of contracting the disease, but she loves her child so much that she has no thought whatever of neglecting the child in favor of her own protection.

4. What are the trials and hardships which face missionaries?

A missionary told me once their only sacrifice is separation from their children. It is necessary that children receive education greater than what the missionaries have time to give. Usually there are no suitable schools for the children to get their higher education. When children arrive at high-school and college age they usually have to go away to school in the Orient, where foreign children attend, or they must be in America, and any one who is a parent and feels the attachment for his own flesh and blood will know what this means to missionaries.

One of the real trials of missionary work is for a missionary to give his life teaching the Oriental people the true way of life, only to have such teachings offset by newspaper reports of unchristian actions on the part of the people of America. It is doubly hard when these acts are committed by church members called Christians.

Sometimes we commit these acts almost unconsciously. For example: An American Christian may have stock in a company which does business in China on a very unchristian and unethical basis. A church member in America might have a financial interest in some tobacco company that is trying to put a cigarette into the mouth of every person possible in China. It is a known fact that England has been much interested in the continuance of the opium trade in China. I am quite sure that some English Christians have desired this trade to continue.

The low interest on the part of some members of the Church of the Brethren is a real trial to missionaries. When they come home on furlough and hear us talk about how little money we have, but see how well we live, they cannot understand the sincerity of our statements.

We appreciate your keen interest in missions. Sometimes we feel there is a low ebb of concern for missionary work, but when letters come in special delivery, asking heart-searching questions, such as yours, we rejoice and trust that you folks may pray and give passionately, and thus become real co-sharers with the missionaries in this great enterprise.

Sincerely yours,
Missionary Visitor Editor.

RIP VAN WINKLE IN CHINA

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into a greater life in Christ Jesus. Friends, pray that I may harmonize in this new world of China. The greatest world history of the age is being made in China now. Help us to help them make it pleasing to our Master and their Master.

Liao Chou, Shansi, China.

OUR CHRISTMAS GIFT

Every Sunday School Pupil to Give One Dollar

OUR Neighbors in many lands suffer because they know not Christ. Children are denied their rightful heritage. Women are ranked as inferiors. Men lack the power of Christ to do right. Idols of wood and stone are worshiped. Diseased bodies await the touch of Christ.

The Lord's work needs that every Sunday-school pupil, old and young, offer a gift in Christ's name at Christmas. Last year many schools had a season of spiritual refreshing because every member gave $1. Adults found joy in helping children to earn $1. Teachers of classes enlisted adults who were glad to encourage the children in this good work. In some schools the spiritual zeal grew so that children asked to be baptized. Truly, it was a consecration of life and money.

Christmas has been so commercialized that here is a real opportunity to put Christ in the foreground at this Yuletide season. The mission cause suffers for lack of funds. Our church life prospers on the spirit of service. Let us share with Christ and make Christmas, 1927, a great spiritual occasion.

GENERAL MISSION BOARD

Elgin, Ill.

Keeping Christ in Christmas

Experiences Told by Those Who Enjoyed a Real Missionary Christmas Last Year

Dear Brethren:

I am delighted, as president of the local missionary committee of the Elizabethtown church, to report to you that our Sunday-school responded whole-heartedly to the call for a Christmas missionary offering.

Our Sunday-school superintendent called a meeting of our Sunday-school officers and teachers one Sunday after church. That body suggested that a committee be appointed to present a definite plan by which to secure the Christmas offering. This committee, H. H. Nye, J. I. Baugher, and myself, recommended that we try to offer $350 by classes and departments. It was also suggested that the adult classes each have **one** envelope, and the children individual envelopes, for the offerings. The children dropped theirs into a white box as they went to the platform to sing at the Christmas missionary program. The adult classes each had a representative go forward to drop the envelope; $461 was offered that evening. But the spirit of loving giving continued to grow. It soon rose to $505, then $512. Last Sunday the total amount was $522.

We praise the Lord for his work of grace in the hearts of these givers.

Our regular offerings for missions for 1926 were about being closed up at the same time. This amount is also large.

Sincerely yours,
Martha Martin.

My dear Spenser:

How I wish you could have been with us yesterday! We had one of the finest programs that the Manchester (Ind.) church has ever rendered. The morning Sunday-school hour was used by the B. Y. P. D. in a Christmas cantata full of rich meaning and inspiration. In the evening the children and intermediates gave a splendid program of songs, readings and scenes. Then the gifts, in which all the departments took part. The children gave their gifts individually, and then from intermediates on up they reported by classes and this morning we have $933 plus, and possibly some more to come in. That ought to cheer the missionaries.

But the best of all was that four of the junior girls gave themselves and were baptized at the close of the service. One of them was our own Winifred, who, you will remember, was born in China eleven years ago. She and Calvin Bright held the basket for the children as they dropped their gifts into it. It was a beautiful service all the way through.

Sincerely,
O. G. Brubaker.

Our church treasurer is mailing you a check for $1,000, which is the amount of our offering given at Christmas entertainment.

We enjoyed it very much and are so glad we can help the work in this way at this time.

Please see that our children and intermediates get credit for $280 in the Visitor.

Dr. C. F. Kraning.

"As I was meditating on what Chrismas gifts to wife, children, and grandchildren I should give, the thought came to me, why not include my very best Friend? He who died that we might live, who sticketh closer than a brother, and place him at the head of the list. Yes, I said to myself, I will put Jesus down for five dollars. Jesus says, "Love thy neighbor as thyself." Jesus is our Neighbor, that poured oil in our wounds and came to our aid when there was no one to help, and taught us how to live and promised us eternal life when he comes again.

Can I have Jesus and not come to his assistance in carrying his message of love to all parts of the world where his cause is unknown?

Dear brethren and sisters of the Brethren Church, have we not dedicated our bodies and lives to the cause of Christ? Are we denying ourselves to enlarge the borders of his kingdom? We are told by one of the prophets, that "if you will only trust me I

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New Olseröd Churchhouse

Fourteen new members were baptized in this church during 1926. The only Protestant work here aside from the State Church is the Church of the Brethren. A few years ago people did not care to be seen attending a free mission. It was unpopular, and the church seemed to thrive best because it was located a short distance out of the village. Now the quality of religion has attracted more people and the church membership doubled in one year. Olseröd is located in the southern peninsula of Sweden, on its eastern side, along the coast of the Baltic Sea.

A New Churchhouse in Sweden

J. F. GRAYBILL
Missionary to Sweden

THE Olseröd Mission had a very small beginning a number of years ago. Bro. P. Jönsson, of the Vannaberga church, held some meetings in the homes of such as would open their doors for preaching, while out on his cycling mission tours. The place is twenty miles from his home. Two sisters applied for membership and united with the church. Services continued there for a number of years without any other accessions.

There was no other Free [separate from the state church] Mission work at this place and the District Mission Board decided to give the work a fair trial, with Bro. Lindell in charge. His labors were fruitful, and in a few years a number united with the church. At the District Meeting of 1915 this place with its surrounding district was organized into a church with fifteen members. A home was rented for the preacher and two rooms used as a hall for preaching services.

In 1920 this property was purchased for telephone service and the mission was obliged to move. There was no place to rent, but a property was for sale. This was purchased for $1,300. The work got a severe shock through the death of Sister Lindell, and a period of stagnation followed.

The District Board considered a change advisable, and in 1924 Bro. Lindell was moved to the Kjävlinge church and Brother and Sister N. Persson were put in charge of the work at Olseröd. During the winter of 1925-26 a young people's organization was effect-

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Our Embassadors Abroad

Biographies of the Three Foreign Workers Appointed in 1927

RUSSELL L. ROBERTSON, M. D.

FOREST S. EISENBISE
Pastor at Lanark, Ill.

IN 1893 Jesse P. Robertson, a young Dunker farmer of Scotch and German ancestry, living within the bounds of the Fraternity congregation, Forsyth County, N. C., went over to the vicinity of the Friedberg Moravian church, ten miles south of Winston-Salem, Davidson County, N. C., and there claimed as his bride Mary D. Crouch, a young Moravian girl of German parentage. The happy couple returned to Forsyth County and established their home. Jesse Robertson was, and is, an active church worker, serving his church as minister and also as Sunday-school superintendent. Some time after marriage Mrs. Robertson transferred her membership to her husband's church.



Into this Christian home Russell Lindsay Robertson, the first-born son, was welcomed Nov. 7, 1895. The good training in the home and the influence of the church led Russell to accept Jesus as his Savior at the age of 14. It was just a year later that the mother was called from the home by death and the fifteen-year-old boy, with the help of his ten-year-old twin sisters, assumed the burden of housekeeping for the year which ensued until the father married again. Of course, being a farm boy, Russell was early introduced to manual labor. He has always been a hard worker, whether on the farm or in the schoolroom or wherever he has been placed.

It was not until March 12, 1916, that Russell, being then almost of age, bade farewell to his father and three sisters who still live near Winston-Salem, and left the old home, coming west to Marshalltown, Iowa. Here he soon met an evangelist who persuaded him of the need for further schooling, his education up to that time consisting of the eighth grade work completed in the country school near his boyhood home.

Events moved rapidly for Russell from this time on. He first went to Bethany Bible School, Chicago. While in school there he decided to devote his life to Christian service, and joined the Volunteer Band. Here he also met Benj. F. Summer, now missionary to India, who not only stimulated his missionary zeal, but also helped him to decide upon further literary work in Mt. Morris College. While in the academic department at Mt. Morris Russell was drafted into the army for service in the World War. He immediately asked for, and obtained, a place in the Medical Corps, Field Hospital 344. He saw a great deal of active service as nurse in Camp Grant Base Hospital, on board an army transport during the influenza epidemic, and also in France. This experience led Russell to prepare himself for medical service, and after returning from France he planned his studies accordingly. One more year was spent in Mt. Morris, then he returned to Chicago, matriculated in the collegiate course at Lewis Institute, completed the course and entered the medical school of the University of Illinois, from which school he received his M. D. degree in June, 1926, having crowded ten years of school work into eight busy years. During this time Russell not only maintained an excellent record as a scholar, but was a leader in school affairs, active in Sunday-school and church work, and also contrived by energy and economy to pay his way with his own earnings during vacations and in odd hours. This initiative and resourcefulness will stand him in good stead in the mission field.

By keeping in touch with Bethany and the First Church in Chicago, and by associating with missionaries and church leaders, he has maintained his Christian idealism and his missionary purpose. Acquaintance with Bro. Helser, our pioneer Africa missionary, powerfully influenced Dr. Robertson in choosing that field for service He is also acquainted with most of the other mis-

sionaries there. He and Dr. Gibbel roomed together at Mt. Morris.

Through the help of Homer F. Sanger of Chicago, and an Illinois Congressman, Dr. Robertson secured a year's interneship in the Ancon Hospital, Panama, subsequent to his graduation from medical college. This 1,200 bed hospital afforded an excellent opportunity for study of tropical diseases. After completing the year's work Dr. Robertson was given a position on the staff, which further facilitated his studies. He goes to the field well equipped in every respect for the arduous life of a missionary doctor. He is accompanied by his wife, formerly Miss Bertha I. Cecil, R. N., of Homer, Ill., whom he met while doing hospital work in the Frances Willard Hospital, Chicago, and to whom he was married Aug. 13, 1925. May our Heavenly Father speed them on their way and largely bless their service for him in Africa.

BERTHA CECIL ROBERTSON

MRS. H. L. HARTSOUGH

Pastor's Wife of the Chicago Church

AT a Baptist church in Marietta, Ohio, two active Christian young people met, and this friendship led to their marriage on Dec. 23, 1890. They were James H. Cecil and Nellie Beebe. They were members of the Baptist church.



They soon moved to Homer, Champaign County, Ill., where they resided until 1913.

There being no Baptist church here they united with the Christian church, in which they were loyal and sincere workers.

Three girls and two boys (one of whom died in infancy) came to enrich the lives of these parents. The youngest of these, Bertha Idell, came to their home on Aug. 20, 1902.

The father was called to his home in 1905, after a long illness. This left the widow with four children to raise and support; she did this by doing practical nursing.

Bertha attended school here until 1913, when they moved to Champaign, Ill., where she finished her grade-school work.

At ten years of age she became a member of the Christian church.

In 1918, due to ill health, the mother was compelled to give up her work and they returned to Homer, where Bertha cared for her and attended high school until she died on Oct. 19, 1919.

Bertha then made her home with her eldest sister at Rock Island, where she graduated from high school in June, 1921. She spent one year with her only brother in Oklahoma, and then, Sept. 2, 1922, she entered nurses' training in the Frances Willard Hospital, Chicago, and was graduated Sept. 3, 1925. During her training here she met Dr. Russell Roberston, student interne at the hospital. This friendship grew and developed into their marriage.

Dr. Robertson already had his face and heart turned to medical work on the foreign field. Mrs. Robertson magnified the position of a helpmeet by at once blending her life's ambitions and her religious convictions with those of her husband. She became a regular attendant and an earnest worshiper at the First Church of the Brethren in Chicago, where her husband had been an earnest worker for some years. This spirit reached its climax on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 26, 1925, when she was baptized by Rev. H. L. Hartsough. The occasion made a very bright and happy spot in the memories of her friends.

In the two years since her graduation she did private and institutional work, the past year being spent at a hospital in Panama among Spanish and American patients, where her husband at the same time was completing his interneship.

They were appointed to Africa at the Hershey Conference, June, 1927. She attended the fall term at Bethany Bible School up to the date of sailing. Though her happy face will be missed among those of us who have learned to know and love her, we say "God bless her" as she answers the call so happily and willingly. With her preparation we are sure she will be able to do an immeasurable amount of service.

BIOGRAPHY OF SUSAN LAVINIA STONER

NAOMI L. ROYER

SUSAN LAVINIA STONER was born Oct. 26, 1898, at Centerview, Mo. She is the fourth child in the family of seven, two boys and five girls, born to Leroy and Jennie Markey Stoner.



She recalls with joy her happy childhood days spent on the farm. Her good parents radiated the Christian atmosphere in their home, both in their lives and teaching, and gave the stimulus to Christian service which found a ready response in the delicately-tuned conscience of Susan. At an early age she took part in singing the hymns in family worship on Sunday evenings.

She atended the public school in Centerview for the first two years and then the family moved to Inglewood, Calif., in March, 1907. Her conscientious loyalty to duties assigned her, so characteristic of Susan, manifested itself already in her early school work, for she led her classes when she was graduated from the Jefferson Grammar School in 1913 and also from Inglewood Union High School in 1918.

During the year 1913-14, which was spent at home helping with the work, Susan had a definite religious experience which culminated in her public acceptance of Christ and baptism March 6, 1914. Immediately she became actively engaged in Christian service in the capacity of Sunday-school secretary, teacher, C. W. president and missionary secretary, showing in all these the greatest degree of dependability and accuracy. Her first desire for missionary work expressed itself in going out and bringing the neighboring Japanese children to Sunday-school.

After being graduated from high school, she worked for two years in the Los Angeles postoffice, to secure money for a college education. In the fall of 1920 she entered La Verne College and enjoyed four years of busy school life there. The signing of the Student Volunteer Declaration card in her freshman year was but a public acknowledgment of a life purpose which had been kindled and nurtured throughout the teen age. Because of this burning purpose in her life, the volunteer work was her major concern during her college days and much of her thought and energy was given to its promotion in the offices of president and secretary and on deputation teams.

However, she was interested also in other extracurricular activities, serving one year each as associate editor of the Campus Times and secretary of the Debating Club. In addition to this heavy program of school activities, she worked her way through college by typing and acting as assistant bookkeeper for the La Verne Leader a part of the time. The climax of her college life came when she was selected as delegate from the Student Volunteers to the Quadrennial Convention held at Indianapolis. The great messages of this conference thrilled her soul and heightened her interest and enthusiasm for mission work,

After being graduated from La Verne College in 1924, she attended the summer session at the University of California in Los Angeles, and the following year taught the third grade at Jefferson Grammar School, about a mile from her home. She enjoyed teaching, but desiring to continue her preparation for definite mission work, she entered Bethany Bible School in the fall of 1925, and, with the help of the Bethany scholarship offered to La Verne graduates, continued her work there the next two winters, being awarded the degree of Bachelor of Divinity, May 27, 1927.

During her last year at Bethany Susan served as vice-president of the United Student Volunteers in a very efficient manner. Though she carried a very heavy program of school work and assisted in the library, she was never too busy to stop and help one who was in need. Her sane, unbiased judgment often was sought by those who desired the unadulterated truth about a matter. Her devotion to duty, her willingness to serve wherever a need presented itself, and her strong faith in God radiated from her personality as she mingled among the students

there and made her life a benediction to all with whom she came in contact.

During the winter of 1926-27 the call for a teacher of missionaries' children at the Woodstock school at Landour, India, was presented most forcibly as a need, and after much thought and prayer Susan decided to file her application with the Mission Board, was appointed at the April Board meeting and approved at Hershey Conference in June, 1927. She sailed for India Sept. 17, 1927.

As she enters her place of service, we feel that the cause of Christian missions has received another finely-tempered instrument in the hand of God for carrying out his will for India.

The Transplantation

RUSSELL ROBERTSON, M. D.
Missionary to Africa

WE were tempted to write "Starting," or "Thoughts on Leaving the Homeland," as a title for this article. Probably the latter caption would have been more in keeping with the contents, for our impressions and thoughts and memories were varied as we spent the last few weeks in preparation for the journey and our new home in Africa.

"Starting" would have been incorrect, for I verily believe that the time we signed the volunteer declaration card eleven years ago was the start. The seed was planted, took root and grew into a young plant. Now it is being transplanted into different soil, even a new climate and in an altogether new environment. A missionary begins being a missionary the very minute he signs the card and vows to devote his entire time, talents and life to the propagation of the Gospel, willing to be led by the Spirit and to be directed by his will. He is then a missionary wherever he is located. If he will not grow in one soil he will not grow in another. If the weeds choke him out in America they will kill him in Africa. Missionaries must be hardy plants; yes, and perennial plants. The transplanting should not stunt their growth. Not one season of fruit should be skipped. The missionary may be planted in the same place where an old tree or an unfruitful tree has been uprooted. One may be planted where his species has never been tried before. He may be alone in a strange environment, yet he must grow and bear fruit.

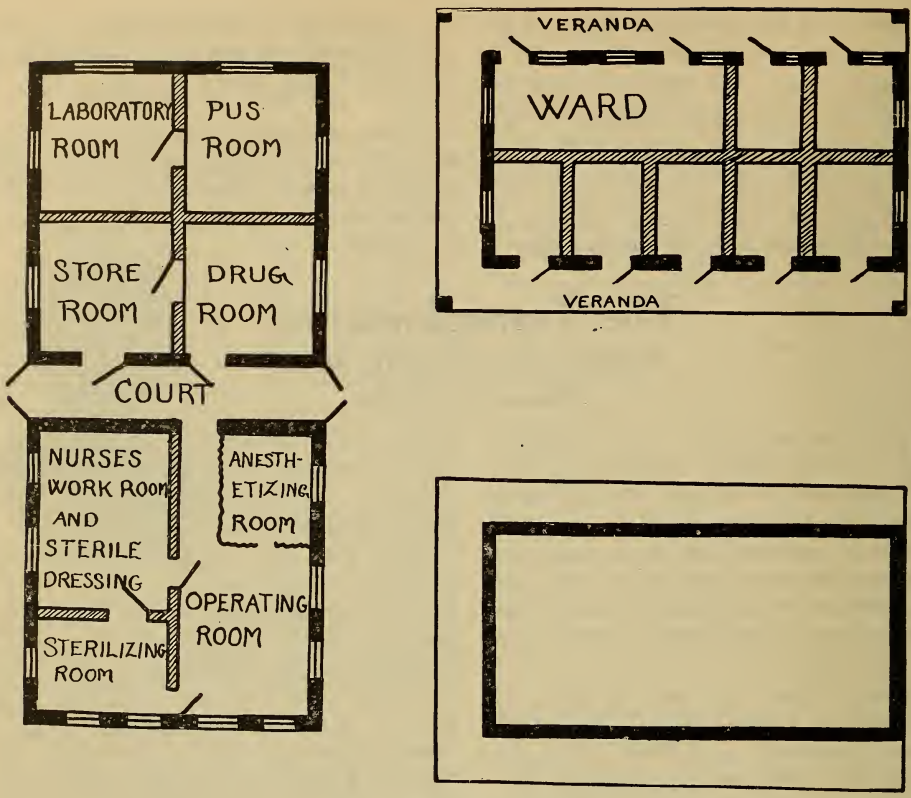
We are now in the process of being transplanted. The Master of the vineyard has nurtured and tended us with great care. O Master, that we will not disappoint thee! Grant to us patience, love, forbearance and endurance, and at the last great day may we come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves.

What were our thoughts as we left the homeland? There was no sorrow on our part, and we hope there was no "moaning of the bar, when we put out to sea." It was the beginning of the fulfillment of that which we have looked forward to during eleven years of preparation, which then is all too short for the need. The last few weeks were spent at Bethany Bible School, which meant all to us that we had anticipated: the missionary atmosphere which permeates the halls, classrooms and campus; the belief and practice of prayer; the resignation of self, and the dependence on his will and guidance; the whole-souled devotion of professors and students; and last but not least, the warm friendships made and renewed—folks who have our interests at heart, love us, made sacrifices for us and are praying for us.

We discovered that we could be of use to them and, we hope, gave them a wholesome, healthful insight into the life of outgoing missionaries. One student, in fact, more than one, testified to having learned that missionaries are very common folks—in fact, human; that one could get right up close to them and talk to them and with them.

Our stay at Bethany was greatly enriched by the association with missionaries on furlough, who patiently gave us their experiences, that we may profit by their mistakes and also add to their successes.

We feel the responsibility and trust laid upon us. We try to appreciate what it means to represent the Church of the Brethren in



The Africa Hospital Plan

The Aid Societies of our brotherhood have contributed $12,158 up to Nov. 1, 1927, for the hospital in Africa. They have done a noble work. Dr. Robertson and others will be able to minister to the physical and spiritual needs of the people of Africa because of the many hours of labor invested in the mission cause by the women of the church.

This hospital is being erected as nearly as possible to conform with African ideals of architecture. Enough foreign material is being introduced so that a place can be made to store our equipment and so we can do aseptic surgery. The wards are entirely native materials. It amounts to a lot of native huts under one roof. The simplicity of the whole affair will be striking.

Africa. We realize the expense in money and energy of such an experiment in sending us over there. Suppose we fail! It will be felt all over the Brotherhood. Are we worthy of the trust and confidence bestowed upon us by the Mission Board? It is a wonderful commission. It is the biggest job ever undertaken. It is the greatest challenge which can be put up to virile, ambitious, blue-blooded men and women. And why are there only three new outgoing embassadors this year? Think of it, brethren, only three new representatives in this first great work of the church! Another doctor, a nurse, and two educational workers were called for and searched for, but not to be found. The ranks are thinning out; our front line trenches are becoming weakened; ill health and age are taking the workers. Where are the new recruits? Usually a dozen or more outgoing missionaries are on the platform at Annual Conference. Must we three do the work of twelve? The world is by no means evangelized. The victory is not won. Why lay the armor down? God give us health and strength and long lives to live in Africa!

Written on Board S. S. Samaria.

Looking Ahead in Missions

Missionary Cultivation of the Home Church for 1928

EDUCATIONAL

Mission Study

The missionary character of Christianity is the theme for 1928 Mission Study. January, February, and March are the months proposed, but where conditions are not suitable for these months, the course may be taken at some other time. The Church School of Missions is urged as a plan of enlisting all age groups in the study. Many churches divide the Sunday evening attendance into groups for adults, young people and children.

The adult course will appear in the Christian Workers' Outlines. The special book suggested is "The Adventure of the Church," by Cavert. Paper, 60c; cloth, $1.

The book for young people is "New Paths for Old Purposes," by Burton. Paper, 60c; cloth, $1. The course will be written up in Our Young People during the first three months of the year.

The Junior course for January and February is on Japan, and the text is, "Our Japanese Friends," by Seabury. Cloth, 75c. This will be written up in Our Boys and Girls in January and February. For March a course on India will be offered the children. This will be special, prepared by the India missionaries.

Illustrated Lectures

The Board maintains an illustrated lecture department on the subject of missions. Churches may rent a set of slides accompanied by a written lecture for $2. If an offering is taken for missions at the time of showing, no rental fee is charged. Send for catalog listing the available sets.

Missionary Leaflets

The Board publishes many leaflets on the subject of missions. These are all listed in the Board's catalog. This catalog is separate from the Brethren Publishing House catalog. During 1928 the Board will issue a brief monthly leaflet intended for all members of your church and Sunday-school. Send in your order for the quantity desired.

Missionary Projects for Young People and Children

The young people are asked to support the entire evangelistic program in India for 1928. The total cost is $26,000. Of this amount $5,000 is expected from our college students.

The children are asked to pay the total medical cost of the India mission for 1928. This amounts to approximately $7,000. These financial items are listed here under the educational head because they are primarily educational projects. The money is of secondary interest. Much educational material will be furnished the working groups throughout the year. The knowledge gained of missions, particularly our fields, and the habit formation are considered prime educational factors.

Missionary Sermons

Ministers who desire material for missionary sermons are invited to write to the Mission Rooms. The Missionary Review of the World is an excellent magazine. The Board will pay part of the subscription price and furnish this $2.50 magazine to any active minister in our church for $1. Much helpful material appears in the Visitor. Ministers can profitably interpret this matter in a way helpful to their congregations.

For more detailed information about the mission study work write General Mission Board, Educational Secretary, Elgin, Ill.

The Missionary Visitor

The Board publishes this monthly magazine and desires it to be read by all members of the church. Missionary committees, ministers, literature agents and other responsible parties should see that it has a wide circulation either by paid subscriptions at $1 each or free with a donation of $4 or more.

Missiongrams

This monthly mimeographed news sheet is issued so every church in the Brotherhood should receive it for use on the first Sunday of the month. It is intended for use of the missionary committee in presenting up-to-date missionary information to the congre-

gations. In each Missiongram letter some message is addressed to the committees in regard to their work. Ministers may also be recipients of this monthly letter by making request. Please help keep the mailing list up to date.

FINANCIAL

Set a Goal

Every church is asked to set a goal of mission giving for the year. The Conference Budget approved at Hershey, Pa., June, 1927, amounts to $389,000, of which $347,500 is for the work administered by the General Mission Board. In the light of the needs and God's blessing to us every church should set a goal and try to achieve it during the year. Make your goal larger than for the year previous.

The Every-Member Canvass

In order that all may frankly and intelligently face the missionary task of the church every member should be visited, and asked to indicate how much he purposes to give during the year.

Special Missionary Offerings

Special offering appeals will be made the first Sunday of February, at Annual Conference time, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. The February offering will help the Board to close its fiscal year with money on hand to start the new year.

The Monthly Sunday-school Offering

The Sunday-schools have been a great help. Twelve Sunday-school offerings per year aid in meeting the goal set up by the church. Giving in the Sunday-school presents an opportunity to inform the children about the missionary work of the church. A brief talk is given profitably by many schools before receiving the offering.

Rip Van Winkle in China

NETTIE M. SENGER
Missionary to China

WE all know Rip Van Winkle's story, his sleep of twenty years, and his trying to "find himself" on waking. Folks did not know him and he found strangers in his home. I think I know now the strange feelings he must have had, for he must also have dreamed strange things and found it hard to discern the dream from the real.

Last spring I left my country friends and work and went to Liao for a yearly Chinese conference, intending to return in twenty days. I arrived in Liao the evening of April 4. Strange news came to my ears. The scene shifted and I found myself living in another world, settled in Tientsin. Soldiers were everywhere, and seemingly from every country. War news filled the air. Talk of never seeing Shansi again made my heart ache. I never expected any more to see the things I left in Liao. I was dazed and could not seem to think. History was being written fast, or was it but a dream? What did it all mean? What was happening after all? Folks in America hoped to see me soon and my heart was aching for my Chin Chou friends I had left for only twenty days. Rumors came that mission work was ended, for we would not be able to return until all the trouble was settled, which would be ten years or more. How could I stand it? I was doing everything but fulfill the plans I had made for the summer. I was making no effort any more to get to Chin Chou as planned. My village friends seemed to have slipped away from me, they were not real any more. They were in one world and I in another, separated by a cut railroad line and soldiers.

The bad dream which at times was a nightmare ended last night. I awoke, rubbed my eyes and again found myself just arriving in Liao, but it was Sept. 2 instead of April 4. The five months might be twenty years for the changes that have taken place. The Chinese are thinking differently. I am thinking differently. We are all working differently. Liao is filled with soldiers. They practice near my home. Still, soldiers are everywhere and the air is not yet clear of war news. My dream still seems to continue even after I am awake. It was so vivid I cannot forget it.

Rip Van Winkle found it hard to adjust in his new circumstances. So may I, but I must harmonize, for I am here to help these people, who are now thinking differently,

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Foreign Mission Notes

AFRICA

Dille Notes for May and June

H. S. Kulp

The first heavy rains came in the beginning of May. The dwelling was still under construction. We were sheltered from the rain by two round huts and a tent.

The main event of May was the completion of the dwelling to the extent that we could move into it on May 28. Some work remains to be done next dry season. We were thankful that the rainy season did begin late this year. Otherwise it would have seriously handicapped the construction of our dwelling.

The greater part of June was spent in Garkida attending field and other committee meetings. After our return we were fortunate in securing a native who could help us regularly with the language. It is the season when every one is away working on his farm. As the farms are some miles away, the Margis build huts and live in them sometimes for two or three weeks at a time. However, we were able to secure a blind man, who seems quite efficient, as natives go. He cannot work on a farm and so can come every day and help us with language.

In spite of rain and farm work the people come to the dispensary for what simple medicine we are able to give. The dispensary work is in Mrs. Kulp's hands. There is an average of from six to ten patients daily. Some days the number goes to fifteen or even twenty.

Garkida Notes for July and August

William M. Beahm

This is a wet time of the year in a hot part of the world. Consequently farms and gardens, not to mention trees, weeds, and mosquitoes, have been growing rapidly. The farms and gardens have meant a great deal to all concerned. Last year's crop was cut short by the early closing of the wet season. And these Africans are not yet organized to adapt the surplus of one section of the country to the want of another. It is meaning much, therefore, to have ample Indian and Guinea corn coming on to fill up yawning bins and gullets. As to mosquitoes, they well-nigh turn the tables of the mission and convert the Christians into pagans by their singing and "preying."

A large part of our compound has been planted in peanuts, which makes it appear that we are in clover. A large, weedy peanut patch is a good contribution to our school, because it is a good lesson in both agriculture and industry for the schoolboys to spend much time in caring for it. Experiments are being made with crops of other parts of Nigeria. There is hope of increasing the amount and variety of the native foods by such introductions. Considerable advance and promise of success has been made in fruit raising. The first orange tree is becoming well laden with fruit. Pawpaws, guavas, and mangoes have gotten a good start. Bananas and limes also promise well. If our rains could be spread out throughout the year instead of being confined chiefly to the summer months, the outlook for fruit would be perfect.

The cement foundation for our Memorial Hospital has been laid. The floor also has been laid. There awaits now the building of the house, upon this good ant-proof foundation. Bro. Earl Flohr has already shown his versatility by overseeing this difficult task in a very creditable way.

School opened on the first of August with 80 boys and 17 girls. More came before the end of the week, but others have left, so that the opening figure is well representative of what one can expect for an average. The girls' work is in separate buildings and is in charge of Sisters Shisler and Beahm. It is one of the greatest satisfactions to see boys of other years coming back of their own accord and interest. The whole tone and working of the school show that the boys have learned much not in books or regular class work. The new Christians and others of the older boys are a great aid to school spirit and dignity. The girls' work is on an entirely different plane since it is separate.

Preaching has continued throughout the summer. A week was spent in Dzika, Wiaku, and Gwobola by Brethren Beahm, Helser, and Heckman, respectively. This added a great deal toward opening up these villages and cementing friendships. The new Christians have been of great service in holding meetings in near-by villages. Daily prayers and Bible lessons are being held in the two villages of Garkida and Bri. This is carried on entirely by our African brethren. Three classes, with a total enrollment of about 45, are running three time a week for the boys in different stages of their Christian progress. Daily services have been held in the hospital. And during the laying of the hospital foundation and floor, daily services were held for the laborers. In all of this work the new missionaries have begun to be of great help.

Work has steadily gone forward in the preparation of educational and evangelistic literature. The Acts, a Hymn and Worship Book, and considerable reading material for the school have been in preparation. Old Testament Stories are in the hands of the printers and will create a red-letter day for the Buras when they arrive in book form. All workers on the field are learning more Bura each day.

The medical work has kept Dr. Gibbel and Sister Harper busy for all the time they could possibly spare. Much work has had to be left undone. There is an increasing number of Buras willing to come for treatment in time to receive real benefit. One



Mission House at Gardemna

Bro. Floyd Mallott, standing by the door of his house at Gardemna, Africa. Probably the term "house" is more accurate than home, for on account of the illness of their son, Sister Mallott returned to America a year before the regular furlough was due. Bro. Mallott will be returning this winter. His work has been located twelve miles from the main station at Garkida.

young woman was very ill with double pneumonia. The community was divided as to whether she should be left here or taken home. Those who believed she should be left here won out. After a long siege and very careful nursing and good medical care and prevailing prayer she was spared. We are hoping that she, Jenaba, will become one of our first Christian women. The health of our staff has been encouraging, despite several goes of fever. It is unfortunate that the most comfortable time of the year is also the most unhealthful. Bro. Helser spent a fortnight in bed with a persistent, though not severe, spell of fever. We rejoice that the Lord cares for us all. The children have all been marvelously well.

Gardemna

F. E. Mallott

Church services have been very well attended during these months—the veranda being filled every Sunday morning.

Did you ever think of all the wear and tear your clothes save your skin? No doubt you have thought of the way shoes save your feet. The Bura seldom has shoes of any sort and very few clothes. The rainy months always bring a great many tropical ulcers. Every scratch becomes infected. Hence the number of people who came for dispensary assistance greatly increased. Several old ulcers were cured and perhaps a score of new ones prevented.

Next to ulcers, the scourge of the rainy season seemed to be rheumatism. Sleeping on low dirt floors with only a palmleaf mat for a bed does not help rheumatic tendencies. A certain brown oil and red pepper preparation (Garkida Hospital brand) has firmly established your missionary's reputation as a learned and successful physician.

The logbook of Christopher Columbus' voyage of discovery is still extant, written in the explorer's own hand. I am told that for many days the entry is simply, "Today we sailed on." Many a day in a mission station may be similarly summed up, "Today we sailed on."

Since about the middle of July there has been serious suffering in Gardemna and adjacent villages. The cause—a food shortage which amounted to semifamine. I do not know why dysentery is the usual attendant of an African famine. There seems to be warrant in the literature on the subject to say they go together. With us dysentery seemed to be in every compound. The white man's medicine helped some. Several deaths resulted from dysentery and several children who died were obviously starved to death.

The cause of the food shortage I analyzed as the short crop of last year (which was general), plus the fact that the usual amount of beer was brewed this year. Then planting rains were just a little late this year, which made it a little severer. It makes a good talking point on the beer question.

As August closes two Gardemna men have come and asked to enter the kingdom of God. They have been keeping Sunday, have left beer, fetish and all they know to be evil. They desire to be monogamists (one man already has two wives) and wanted to go in the way of Jesus, for they saw it was right. In due time they will make the preliminary public covenant and receive the name Christian. They will then receive class instruction looking toward baptism. Pray for these men.

"The rain came drop by drop and filled the river."
—Bura Proverb.

CHINA NOTES FOR SEPTEMBER

Lulu U. Coffman

At last Gov. Yen of Shansi has been drawn into the civil war. Hostilities were opened Sept. 29. At present both postal and railroad communications with Shansi are cut off.

Miss Metzger sends the following news from Pingting (her letter arrived just before communications were cut):

Do these things sound as though the Chinese do not want the foreign missionary? Bro. Crumpacker was met on the street by a retired, one-time wealthy man of official rank. His first remark was, "Glad to see you here"; the second was, "Are you going to leave right away?" The third was "Good, good, fine, stay several years this time before you go and the church will grow!" These words were from an outsider.

Another: The leader of the prayer meeting prayed earnestly that the Lord would make it possible for the foreigners to stay, now that they were back, for their help in the church is needed so much.

From a group of the members, as several of them met with some of the foreigners in an evangelistic committee: "If our foreign folks can stay with us now our work will go better."

A young fellow in a food shop, who had known Bro. Crumpacker several years, said, "You were away now more than two years and this time should stay eight or ten years before going again." When Bro. Crumpacker agreed with him the lad was pleased and said, "Fine! nothing could be better than that."

Several women have said, "Oh, if Mrs. Bright and Mrs. Crumpacker would just come back." The county magistrate said in substance: As long as the foreigners are here the common people among the Chinese think that there is not much going wrong. The foreigner serves as a barometer.

Pastor Yin reported several recent baptisms in one of our outstation districts. A letter from one of the local workers in another part of the field stated that several men and women there were ready for baptism. Miss Schaeffer and Pastor Yin are now there preparing this group to be received into the church.

Bro. Crumpacker says that the two Sunday services which he has attended at Pingting were as well attended as in previous years during the summer vacation months. The fact that the foreigners had been away from the station for a time seemed not to have affected that branch of work very seriously. On Wednesday afternoon, on his way to the prayer meeting, one of the teachers of the Boys' School came rushing out, a bit winded. On being asked why he puffed so he said that he had been running for fear he would be late for prayers. I suppose you could find people in the churches in America who would run till they were exhausted to get to prayers on time. Yes, the world over, people are much alike. Some are warm-hearted toward their religious duties and some are not. This is as true in China as anywhere else.

Sometimes our Chinese workers are criticized for not working as constantly at the job as they might. Did you ever hear of an American pastor getting that kind of criticism? Well, if not, it likely was due to modesty on the part of the would-be reporter. Human nature is the same everywhere. Our workers in China recognize China's weak spots and are willing to help make them strong. This is not an easy task for the best qualified among us, and so by prayer we push ahead.

The business manager at the hospital told Bro. Crumpacker that the hospital is getting more patients than one doctor could take care of, averaging about forty per day. Now the management has decided to try to get another doctor to help out in the work of ministering to the sick of the place. Just now we have between four and five thousand soldiers quartered in the immediate neighborhood. These come freely to the hospital with their ailments. In fact, the Chinese are again like other human beings; they like to go where they get service and good treatment. The reputation of the hospital and the church in this community is certainly being well kept. Our Chinese Christians are doing their part to make it so.

All our schools have a larger enrollment than they had last year. There are seventeen girls in middle school. Last year there were eight. Six are from here. There were three graduates here in the grades last June and all are in school now. There are five from Liao Chou, one from Shou Yang, and five from Shih Chia Chuang. All but one of these girls has been at one time or another in mission school. We had an application from Shun Te Fu from a Miss Liu, who had attended the Presbyterian Middle School. She said their schools were not opening this year, and she has friends here who advised her to come here. There are forty-one in the six grades. Last year we did not reach forty at any time. There are fewer boys in the coeducational school, but the kindergarten has about the same number. It shows that students will go to mission schools. We are continuing our Bible work in the grades. I am to have a Bible class for middle school girls on Thursday. This is outside of their regular class periods. Am having a sing for all the girls and teachers on Sunday evening. I am preparing some songs with a rather good swing, such as young people may like for these sings, so we can vary the program.

We are most cordially received in villages and homes. Yesterday on the street a business man stopped me and most courteously expressed himself as being glad for our return to the station. At one place we heard an echo of our Daily Vacation Bible School which Mrs. Crumpacker conducted and was so interested in. They said, "Our village has not forgotten that nice young teacher who helped us that summer, and taught us to sing." Yesterday in one of the better homes in the city, where Miss Horning has gone many times, the woman said, after we had gone in and exchanged greetings, "Now sing; I like to hear you sing." We asked her what

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World Mission Facts

The world has 1,691,000,000 people.

The people of the world may be classified according to the following religions:

Religion	Age	Adherents
Christians	4 B. C.	565,000,000
Taoists and Confucianists ...	551 B. C.	301,000,000
Mohammedans	570 A. D.	222,000,000
Hindus 2000-1500	B. C.	211,000,000
Animists		158,000,000
Buddhists	560 B. C.	138,000,000
Shintoists	660 B. C.	 25,000,000
Jews 1500-1200	B. C.	 12,000,000
Unclassified ..		 15,000,000

At least two million people are lepers.

World Mission Facts *

(1) The 380 Mission Boards appointing missionaries had an income in 1922-23 amounting to $70,051,617.

(2) These societies maintained a total of 29,188 European and American missionaries. Of these 16,524 were in Asia; 6,289 in Africa; 3,249 in Latin America; 1,810 in Australasia; 1,777 in North America (working among American Indians and Asiatic immigrants); and 139 in Europe (among Asiatics and in Turkey-in-Europe). In addition to the European and American staff these missions were related to a native staff of 151,735.

(3) The church in the field included 86,759 organized churches and other places having regular religious services. There were 46,580 elementary schools; 297 normal schools; 295 industrial schools; 1,686 dispensaries; 858 hospitals; and 659 general philanthropic institutions such as leper asylums, orphanages, and institutions for the blind and deaf.

(4) The total group connected with all forms of Christian organizations numbered 8,342,378. The total enrollment in schools of all types was 2,440,148; in industrial schools, 10,718; in normal schools, 11,442; in training schools for nurses, 1,085. The hospitals contained 31,264 beds and provided accommodations for 389,712 inpatients within one year. The dispensaries gave 10,441,539 treatments within the year.

(5) Among the most significant facts as to the quality of service of work rendered by missions is the number of physicians and trained nurses maintained in different parts of the world. The total number of physicians was 1,769 and of trained assistants 6,465. The Europeans and Americans in this staff include 1,157 physicians and 1,007 nurses.

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The Church of the Brethren

The Church of the Brethren grew out of the great religious awakening which occurred in Germany during the closing years of the 17th century. The New Testament is the guide of the church, and no creed has ever been adopted. In 1719 members commenced emigrating to America. The church, composed of 122,000 members, has continued in America in every respect on the basis of an evangelical Christianity. She is chiefly concerned in giving willing and cheerful obedience in life and service in harmony with the plain, simple teachings of Christ Jesus our Lord. A pamphlet entitled, "The Church of the Brethren" may be had by writing the General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill.

Our Missionary Endeavors

The Church of the Brethren did much home mission work of a frontier type. This was mostly the outgrowth of the missionary spirit of individuals and small groups rather than the organized effort of the church.

The first activities abroad were in Scandinavia, where several churches are now functioning.

Work was started in India in 1894, China in 1908, and Africa in 1922. The church in India has over 3,000 members; in China about 1,000, and in Africa there is a small but growing Christian community.

There are over 100 foreign missionaries. The complete list of names is printed on the inside back cover of this issue.

For the past fiscal year ending Feb. 28, 1927, the General Mission Board had an income from all sources of $315,180, and expended $324,065. The Annual Church Conference held at Hershey, Pa., June, 1927, authorized a missionary program for the year beginning March 1, 1927, of $347,500.

The Board invites contributions, small or large, from all who will share with others the blessings of God. A number of members are giving money on the annuity plan. Others remember missions in their wills. A few able brethren are writing checks of $1,000 and more for missions.

The Church of the Brethren believes in Jesus. The nearest bit of Christlike work we can do is MISSIONS.

People everywhere need Christ. They need his ideal of God. They need to be enthused with the personality of Jesus. They need the light. Other religions lack these saving qualities of the Christian religion. Missions are an opportunity and an obligation for every Christian. All true members of the Church of the Brethren are missionary Christians. We invite our neighbors and friends to join us. Victory is the assurance of all who trust and labor with him.

The Workers' Corner

The editor invites helpful contributions for this department of the Visitor

MISSIONARY NEWS

Sailings of Missionaries

Missionaries, both furloughed and new, who sailed to the fields this autumn are as follows:

For India: September, A. G. Butterbaugh, A. S. B. Miller, their families, and Susan Stoner sailed Sept. 17. Verna Blickenstaff and Anna Brumbaugh sailed Sept. 7. Adam Ebey and family are scheduled to sail January 14.

For Africa: H. L. Burke, M. D., and wife sailed Sept. 10, and Russell L. Robertson, M. D., and wife sailed October 15.

For China: Frank Crumpacker sailed August 21. Sister Crumpacker, and other missionaries due to return to China, are remaining in America, awaiting more auspicious conditions for their return to China. At present the country is in a state of revolution, and missionary work is compelled to adjust itself to these conditions.

Mary Reed Continues Her Work

The remarkable life of Mary Reed in her work among lepers has thrilled many people. Recently some one enquired if Mary Reed still lives. Upon investigation we find that she may be addressed at Chandag Heights, via Almora, U. P. India. The book entitled "Mary Reed," by Jackson, may be secured for $1.

The Young People and Their Africa Project

Last spring the B. Y. P. D. was given the task of erecting all the new buildings in the Africa Mission for 1928. All money is to be sent to the General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill., before the end of 1927. Some of the groups have been doing splendidly. The Panther Creek (Iowa) young people have just sent their check for $100. Money is commencing to come in from the children groups who are supporting the Africa Mission, exclusive of new buildings and missionary supports.

The Spirit of Christ Wins the Heart of India

Bro. Lynn Blickenstaff, writing from India, gives us the following information:

"We are having a good monsoon, and the prospects for a crop are very good. Just to the north of us there has been a very heavy flood, and a very great deal of damage has been done. The people of India have made a wonderful response in providing funds for these flood sufferers. Up to date I believe the total amount received by the Central Flood Committee has amounted to Rs. 900,000. There are, of course, some very wealthy Hindus, Mohammedans, and Parsees in India, who respond to a need of this kind. Our Indian churches made contributions to the fund which I think did them justice. I think the Bulsar church sent in about Rs. 200."

The interesting thing about this news item is the last sentence. These simple-hearted village people, bound down by caste, have now been liberated by the Spirit of Christ and have enough concern for unfortunate fellow Indians to help them in their need, regardless of their caste. Truly the Spirit of Christ is gripping the Indian heart.

The Monthly Missionary Offering

"Please send our treasurer a dozen remittance blanks. According to our plan the entire offering from the Sunday-schools the third Sunday of the month is to go for missions. The last offering amounted to $16.15." Thus writes the pastor of the Afton church, Nebraska, which has 75 members.

Some Things Missions Have Done

They have established a multitude of trade schools in which development of Christian character keeps pace with growth in manual skill.

They have helped to abolish human slavery and have shown the Christian way of caring for the aged, the fatherless, the blind, the deaf, the insane, and the leprous.

They have lifted women from a condition of unspeakable degradation, and trained a new generation of Christian mothers, wives, and daughters, who are making homes and introducing new ideals of social life.

They have translated the entire Bible, or portions of the Scriptures, into 500 languages and dialects, distributing last year alone 9,272,221 copies.

They have reduced many strange tongues to writing and have created a literature for whole races, producing annually a vast amount of good reading in the shape of books, hymnals, and papers for all ages.

They have transformed the people of the Fiji Islands, Melanesia, and other island groups from cannibals to civilized beings.—Indian Alliance.

Important Movements

Universal Bible Sunday is to be observed Dec. 4, 1927. This day is promoted by the American Bible Society, which has prepared literature entitled, The Bible and the Home. This material is free to all who wish to order it from the Society at Bible House, Astor Place, New York City. In a striking leaflet called "The Bible and the Home," the statement is made that more than half of the world lives in Bibleless homes.

The Universal Week of Prayer for the churches, Jan. 1 to 7, 1928, will be engaged in by churches of many lands. The devotional material prepared for the week has been translated into many languages. The supreme need of the hour is a personal experience in the things of God. The betterment of the world can be promoted only by those who know God. This week of prayer is encouraged with the hope that Christian people may realize God more intimately.

The World Day of Prayer, which has been respected in past years, is to be observed on the first Friday in Lent, Feb. 24, 1928. In many communities the various churches join in prayer. A growing number of young people's, women's, and children's groups will respect the day. The program, "Breaking Down Barriers," prepared for this day, is available for 2c each, or at $1.75 per hundred. Order from Council of Women for Home Missions, 105 E. 22nd St., New York City.

Friendship Bags for Mexico are proposed by the Federal Council of Churches. This project is prompted by the success which attended last year's project to send doll messengers of friendship to Japan. Each Friendship Bag is to contain articles of interest and help in the life of school children. The Mexican vice-minister of education has approved the project and will distribute the bags in the schools, of which there are said to be 15,000 with 1,250,000 pupils. The bags will be distributed on Mexico's Independence Day, Sept. 16, 1928. Schools and religious groups all over the United States will have an opportunity to share in this good work. The purpose of the venture is to cultivate in American thought a spirit of goodwill for Mexicans and the knowledge of the finer qualities of these neighbors to the south. In the minds of the Mexicans we hope there will be a deeper conviction of the appreciative attitude of the United States people.

Important Conferences

The Student Volunteer Movement will hold its quadrennium at Detroit, Dec. 28, 1927, to Jan. 2, 1928. The conventions will deal with the Christian solution for international and missionary problems. Church of the Brethren colleges will undoubtedly have many delegates there. The United Student Volunteers of our church plan to have their annual meeting there instead of holding it in California at Annual Conference time.

The annual Foreign Missions Conference will be held Jan. 10 to 13 at Atlantic City. This conference is primarily for administrators of foreign missions. It includes missionaries and others who have a special interest in the mission cause. Usually there are laymen present, who come purely because of an intense interest in missions.

The Third Conference on the Cause and Cure of War will be held Jan. 15 to 19 in Washington, D. C. Unbiased experts will participate in the program and will help in formulating ideals for the United States in relation to other nations.

HAPPINESS

Happiness is such sorrowful discontent with any good we have gained as to make us rejoice in the struggle after something better.

BOOK REVIEWS

The Wrestle of Religion with Truth, by Henry Nelson Wieman. Macmillan; price, $2.50.

Part I relates to method in religion. Part II relates to concepts of religion. The first part is by far the more readable and helpful. The chapter on "Worship as a Means to Successful Living," is well worth the price of the whole book. According to Wieman, worship has three stages; viz., exposure, diagnosis, and reconstruction. The process at first seems new, but soon the reader discovers old familiar forms of successful worship: First, praise and adoration; second, confession of sin; and third, reconsecration and dedication of life to God.

Dr. Wieman has thought deeply into the subject of religion. He provokes much thought. This book makes you turn back to explore some previous point of view. Sometimes you discover a nugget of rare value and again you cannot follow him. Often the discovery gives you a sense of finding a new and attractive way of stating an old Gospel truth. At times I felt I just must share a point of view with some seeker after truth. But the book is quite scholarly and intended for those who care to investigate religion.

Building International Goodwill, by various authors. Macmillan; price, $1.50.

This text, written jointly by Jane Addams, J. Henry Scattergood, W. Russell Bowie, Dennys P. Myers, Wm. I. Hull, Henry A. Atkinson, Geo. W. Wickersham, Raymond Robbins, Mrs. Edgerton Parsons, Lynn Harold Hough, Wm. P. Merrill, Archbishop Keane, S. Parkes Cadman, Jas. T. Shotwell, M. Ashby Jones, and Frederick Lynch is designed to point the way to goodwill between nations, and the elimination of war. These writers recognize that war cannot be abolished by mere wishing, but there is a process of building. They have shown the road to peace in a marvelous manner. Every devout seeker after peace in the world should read this book.

A Series of Six Books by Nationals of China, India, Japan, Africa, the Near East, and Latin America. Missionary Education Movement.

Per set of six, cloth, $6; paper, $4. Each volume, cloth, $1.25; paper, 75 cents.

Prepared by the Student Volunteer Movement and published by the Missionary Education Movement for use by church and college groups. Written by outstanding Christian leaders in their own lands. Of great value to show the attitude of nationals toward Christianity today.

A Missionary Program rendered in the Mount Joy congregation, Western Pennsylvania. Sent in by Martha Neiderhiser.

Song—"Jesus Shall Reign."
Devotions—Mark 10: 35-45.
Song—"Can the World See Jesus in Me?"
Talk—"Faith of Chinese Christians." (July Visitor.)
Song—"Faith of Our Fathers."
Chorus—"When Your Life Rings True."
Talk—"Cost of Serving Christ." (July Visitor.)
Reading—"Giving."
Chorus—"Living for Jesus."
Play—"Gift of Life." (The Paramount Missionary Book, 25c. Order from Brethren Publishing House, Elgin, Ill.)
Song—"I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go."
Offering.
Closing prayer.

More than 10,000 missionaries from the Protestant churches of the United States are now at work in foreign lands. The total from all countries is approximately 28,000.—From "The Adventure of the Church."

The success of the Gospel at home influences the development of righteousness abroad. If the Gospel does not save us, the Orientals ask if it can save them. Let your life, your prayer, and your service to God and man be sincere.

Our Black Brothers Programs

Many groups will have a program to conclude the 1927 work the children are doing for their black brothers in Africa. In the Junior Missionary Department some program material is listed.

Last year the Trotwood, Ohio, church rendered a splendid program. We are printing below the letter Sister Erbaugh wrote us about it.

The morning service consisted of a little missionary playlet which was as follows: Sister I. E. Oberholtzer gave us two large

Chinese mottoes. The characters on one read as follows: Gospel connects China with the West. The other: Faith, Hope and Love. We had these mottoes on the wall. Two little girls, dressed in Chinese costumes, came in with pillows; a little boy representing Henry K. Oberholtzer entered and the little girls gave him the Christian salute in Chinese. He asked the girls to read the mottoes in Chinese. Then the girls sang "Jesus Loves Me," and the beginners, primaries and juniors passed by a little Chinese house and dropped in their offering. Their offering amounted to about $108. Many said they were impressed with this little service.

The young people had charge of the service of the evening and they made a strong appeal. This offering was a little over $200. We, the local missionary committee, felt we had a wonderful day, the children giving a little over $100 and the adults over $200.

Please send us about one hundred copies of "When the Deacon Talked in Church." We heard that given as a reading by one of the young people, and all seemed to enjoy it so much and asked for copies.

We have our Christmas program made out and it will be a White Gift program. May our gifts to Him be our very best.

A Box of Questions

1. Please mail me one of your catalogs concerning the illustrated lectures you have for rental.

Answer: We are mailing you our missionary supplement, which lists the slides that are available and gives the rental terms. Any one lifting a missionary offering at the time of the lecture may have the slides free of rental. There is no expense except the return transportation. The regular rental fee is $2 and return transportation. Since the missionary supplement was printed a new set on the industrial school in Virginia has been prepared.

2. As president of the young married people's class, we would like to have our class do more mission work. We are not giving what we should. Do you need money to support a native worker?—A Young People's Class in Southern Ohio.

Answer: There is much need for native workers and children in the schools to be supported. This is now done on the Share Plan. By this method you may be assigned a share of support equivalent to the cost of supporting a native worker from $50 to $150. Whatever amount you subscribe for should be paid annually for five years, when your particular share is completed. You will receive interesting letters of information during the five years.

3. Several years ago we had a mission study class and received certificates for our study. If we take a new course in missions, will you supply seals indicating a second year's work to be attached to our diplomas?

Answer: The plan as inaugurated a few years ago is still in effect. Classes may study the book recommended this winter, either "The Adventure of the Church," or "New Paths for Old Purposes," or the women's book entitled, "A Straight Way Toward Tomorrow," and receive seals indicating an additional year's study. Any of the mission study books recommended in former years, which you have not taken, will also give you this credit. The mission study book for children this winter is, "Our Japanese Friends." Junior certificates are awarded to them where these are desired. Twenty-five cents for adult and 10 cents for Junior certificates is the regular price. Certificates will be granted only upon request, and when the list of those entitled is sent by the teacher with a statement that all have completed their work in a satisfactory way. By satisfactory, we mean that there has been an earnest interest in the study, a regular attendance at classes and the completion of any work assigned by the teacher.

4. What is the latest word from China?

Answer: Brother N. A. Seese, secretary of the China mission, wrote a letter Oct. 21 which we received Nov. 17. Some of the missionaries were at their stations but all news from them had been cut off for some time. The other missionaries, including mothers and children, were at T'ung Chou, Chihli, which is out of the war zone. It is assumed that workers at their stations have been able to go ahead with their work as war has not entered our immediate vicinity.

The Women's Department

Conducted by Nora M. Rhodes

DALLAS CENTER, IOWA

Aid Society Gleanings

Northern Illinois and Wisconsin

The Aid Societies of Northern Illinois and Wisconsin have been doing very splendid work. There are twenty-six societies with 402 active and 212 associate members. They gave $3,478.74 to home work and $760.30 to foreign work during the year 1926.

Some very helpful talks were given at our recent District Meeting Aid Society Program, and following is a brief account of three of them:

Mrs. O. D. Buck of Franklin Grove, Ill., talked on ways by which we may aid our District. She urged the necessity of having a goal and of putting urgent things first. We should pray definitely for our District Mission Board. She named some definite projects, and during the business session some of them were accepted. The Aids, besides paying their share toward the foreign project, are buying a mangle for the Mt. Morris Old Folks' Home and raising a fund of $500 for the Bethany Sanitarium and Hospital.

She closed with the slogan of a great missionary, "Expect great things from God, attempt great things for him."

Mrs. A. G. Butterbaugh, a missionary home on furlough from India, talked on ways by which we may help across the waters. The hospital work is one of the most urgent needs and our newly-planned project will be a most helpful addition to the foreign work. She stressed keeping our visions broad, and praying for the foreign workers. Letters, too, are encouraging and appreciated. Sometimes they arrive when one is the most discouraged, and they are like bread cast upon the waters.

Does the effort needed to carry on foreign work pay? Yes, a hundredfold. She said, "The missionaries are depending on you."

Mrs. H. L. Hartsough of Chicago discussed the "Jesus Way of Living." In the church we should develop leadership and create high standards and ideals. We should lead in our communities instead of always following. There is great need for the "Jesus Way" in the family life in America, for its fall is appalling. The United States leads the world in broken homes. Why should this high divorce rate be? We are perhaps not following close enough to the "Jesus Way." Too many women feel too independent; there are weaknesses in the divorce laws, and a change to the old type of family life would be helpful.

We need the "Jesus Way" in the recreational life as well. The child should be led in its play, and the home or church should provide room for play of the right kind. Edna Wolf, Franklin Grove, Ill.

Eastern Maryland

The fifteen Aid Societies of the Eastern District of Maryland met in a convention at Blue Ridge College, on July 27, 1927.

The president, Sister Annie Stoner, presided. The opening devotional was conducted by Sister Wm. Kinsey. An address was given by Sister Earl Bowman of Washington, D. C., after which we had group discussions on the topics, "What Does Our Aid Society Stand For," and "Does the Aid Society Intensify the Spiritual Life of the Community?" The closing devotional was by Sister W. P. Englar. Mrs. L. W. Leiter of Baltimore, Md., opened the afternoon session with scripture and prayer. Sister Mamie Helderbridle gave the reading, "The Needle Pushers," after which the history of our Aid work was given by Sister Annie Stoner. Sister Anna Royer, the District delegate to Conference, gave her report. The afternoon

address was given by Sister Ross Murphy of Philadelphia, Pa.

Special music was rendered, both morning and afternoon, by members of the Woodberry, Baltimore, and Westminster societies.

The spiritual side of our Aid work was emphasized throughout the day. Many helpful suggestions were made for practical methods to be used in our work. We were given a glimpse of what may be accomplished by the women of our church if we live up to our possibilities in spirituality, in organization, in missionary activity, and in any way in which God can be glorified in our work.

The motto for our societies this year is 1 Cor. 10: 31: "Whether therefore ye eat or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God."

A splendid audience was present, and while this was our first attempt at a meeting of this kind, we all felt it was very much worth-while, and will plan to have one each year, also a business meeting at our yearly District Meeting.

Mrs. J. T. Royer, Secretary,
Westminster, Md.

Regional Conference of Aid Societies, Bridgewater-Daleville Region

On Sept. 9 the Aid Societies of this region met in conference at Linville Creek church, Broadway, Va. Of the ten Districts in our region, seven were represented, namely: Florida, First and Second West Virginia, First and Second, Northern, and Eastern Virginia. There was also a large local attendance, showing the great interest in women's work.

The discussions were very interesting. One speaker reviewed the work of the societies of the Brotherhood, showing the great things that have been accomplished in the different foreign fields as well as in the homeland. Seeing how the little things done by individuals have been the means of great things being done by all proved a great inspiration.

We also heard of many things being done on which no money value can be placed. We can be missionaries in the home, the school, the community, anywhere we may be.

The mothers and daughters' work was exalted. The mothers' responsibility in keeping the purity of the home, in raising sons and daughters of the highest type, was held out to us as the ideal. Our aim should be purity in the home, uplifting humanity, saving of souls.

After an interesting general discussion, our chairman called for reports from District representatives and had responses from several. We hope that this is only a beginning of what may be a great help to the work of the societies of our region.

Mrs. Leland C. Moomaw, Roanoke, Va.

Every Sister an Aider

As it is and has been an important subject in the minds of a number of our self-sacrificing Aid sisters, just how to get the joy and responsibility of the Aid work into the lives of our good, well-meaning, but indifferent sisters is a problem to solve.

The few fragmentary statistics, which have been published from time to time, give a large percentage of sisters who do not belong to the Sisters' Aid Society; though there are quite a few sisters in every congregation who feel the importance of the Aid work, but think they are not able, financially or otherwise, to assist and help carry the responsibilities, but rather stand aloof from the work.

In the majority of our congregations the local Aid has already been organized and doing the best it can under existing conditions, but just **how** to get **every sister an Aider** in the service, is the desire of every consecrated member of the Sisters' Aid Society.

This organization should not be a name only, for an exclusive circle of sisters, but it should include the constituency and membership of all the sisters of the Church of the Brethren, whether they function actively and visibly or passively and privately. To bring this cherished hope to pass, let the matter of a congregational Sisters' Aid come before the church in council for consideration, and if the majority of the sisters present vote for it the organization can be completed with a full corps of officers. Thus it becomes a congregational Aid Society with a 100% membership.

Mrs. Tenna E. Leighton,
Johnson City, Tenn.

Day of Prayer for Missions

Last year women and girls of every race and color, speaking many languages and scattered in various countries, were united in intercession for Christ's work throughout the world. This year plans are under way for a much wider observance on **Feb. 24, 1928.** Keep the date in mind. Announcements will appear in later numbers.

Monthly Program Outline for Women's Missionary Societies

Text—A Straight Way Toward Tomorrow. 50c, paper; cloth, 75c. Order from Brethren Publishing House, Elgin, Ill.

Chapter 4—Religious Education.

Hymn—"Break Thou the Bread of Life."

Scripture—Give references to several women to be read: Deut. 11: 18-21; Psa. 36: 5; John 10: 7-10; Col. 3: 12-17.

Prayer—Pray (1) that we may have power in teaching others how to walk, (2) that all those having responsibility over world children may be wise, patient and loving.

The Past in Religious Education—Pp. 101-102.

Quotation Period—Select quotations to be read by several women from pp. 102-3, pp. 103-4, pp. 105-7.

The Present in Religious Education—Pp. 107-112.

Experiences in Religious Education—If it is not possible to include a real missionary in your group meeting, use make-believe missionaries, speaking in first person, which will give reality to the stories. Three or four should divide the material from pp. 119-129, using such topics as "Builders of Bridges," "Meeting the Growing National Spirit," "Training National Educators." Three minutes each. Close with Lord's Prayer.

Birthdays of Our Women Missionaries

January

"Now I beseech you—that ye strive together with me in your prayers to God for me."

9—Mrs. Sue Heisey, China.
Mrs. Anna Forney, India—now on furlough.

22—Mrs. Verda Gibbel, Africa.

31—Verna Blickenstaff, India.

Pray for our missionaries

A NEW CHURCHHOUSE IN SWEDEN

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ed. This proved quite an impetus to the work, so that during 1926 fourteen were baptized, mostly members from the Young People's Society. Now the mission quarters became too small and plans for enlarging were considered. The location not being so favorable, we concluded it was not wisdom to invest more in the old property, and so decided to build at a better location in case we could sell to advantage the property we had. We succeeded in making a reasonably fair sale, and soon the plan for a new building was presented and accepted. Work on this house was begun in April and the new church was dedicated Aug. 7.

This building is a credit to the community, furnishing nice living quarters for the preacher and his family, a hall that will easily accommodate one hundred people, and a smaller room at the rear with folding doors so as to increase the capacity to fifty more. There is a convenient baptistry under the pulpit. The cost of the building is about $2,200. Much work was donated by some who are not members, which gives it the characteristic of a community center.

The dedication was a red-letter day for the Olseröd church. Both halls and the other rooms of the house were filled. The spirit was fine and the messages inspiring. With this plant, the number of young members in the church and the surrounding community, and the elderly, but active members as a backbone in the work, the mission should move on successfully. We praise the Lord for what has been accomplished at this place, and pray his favor and blessing to abide on the work.

KEEPING CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS

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will open the windows of heaven and shower blessings upon you." Will we do it? Yes, let us trust. If each brother and sister will give only one dollar as a Christmas gift to Jesus, that will make something like $100,000 to spread the Gospel. Dear brethren and sisters, let us take it to God in prayer to help us to sacrifice some of our needs to help on the cause of our Master. Will we do it?

Peck, Idaho. Ellis H. West.



Conducted by Aunt Adalyn

A MISSIONARY WRITES TO HIS SON

My dear Son:

I am very glad to receive letters from you. They are very interesting. Since I wrote to you what do you think we have had in Garkida? We have had the camels come to Garkida. There were ten of them. They came right up to Uncle Clarence's house. They were loaded very heavily with all the boxes of new things for the aunts and uncles of the mission.

You know a camel gets down on its knees when the driver loads and unloads. And when they take the load off the camel sometimes squeals and groans because his back hurts.



The laborers and the camels slept near our house just at the foot of our hill. In the morning early they started away. And those camels just squealed and squealed. They did not want to get up and go on the road. When a camel squeals, it sounds as if three old pigs were squealing. So when all these camels started, it sounded like grandpa's pigs. A camel never hurries. He steps along as slow and stately as a king. Here they go back to Jos. They will come again next year. But I hope to see you and mother before then. I hear you are a very brave boy. That makes me very glad and proud of you. Take good care of mother and be nice to grandma and Aunt Liz.

Your Father.

THAT CHRISTMAS DOLLAR

(For recitation before offering)

The crops have all been gathered in,
Of corn, and wheat, and clover,
And now we've met, with bulging purse,
To put a big scheme over;
With sunny smiles and pretty words
We're tagging every scholar,
And we expect to see them drop
A brand-new Christmas dollar.

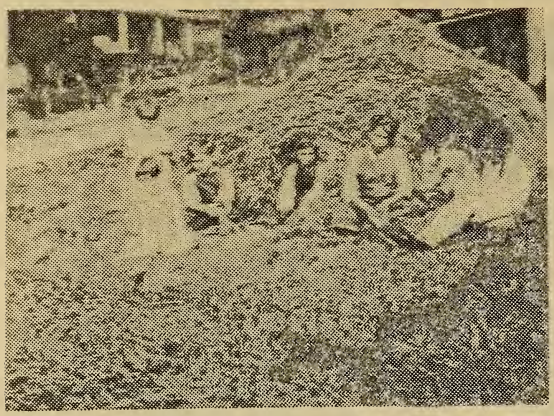
It isn't much to celebrate
This glad and holy season;
A little gift our Lord to bring
We have a plenty reason.
We'd be a sorry bunch, I think,
If gifts we're always taking,
And never turn the good deed round
By thank-you presents making.

We always give to folks we love,
And do not mind expenses;
I'm sure you all remember well
The joyful consequences;
And when we've had such loads of gifts
From God, our great Provider,
Can we not smile back in his face,
And stretch our purse-strings wider?

Our Master said a kindly word,
Or fruit of patient labor,
Will thrill his own heart just the same,
Bestowed upon our neighbor;
So whether earned in overalls,
Bare feet or grimy collar,
With freckled face or sun-browned hand
Shake out your Christmas dollar!

—Adaline Hohf Beery



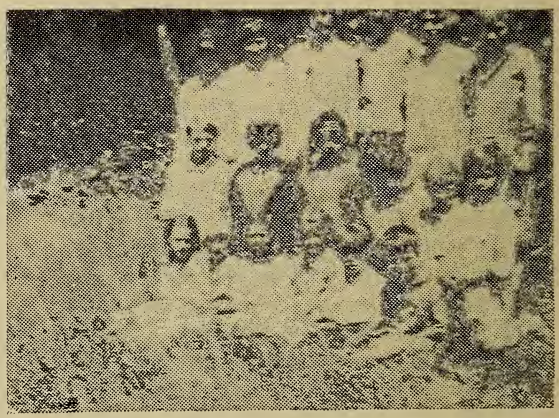


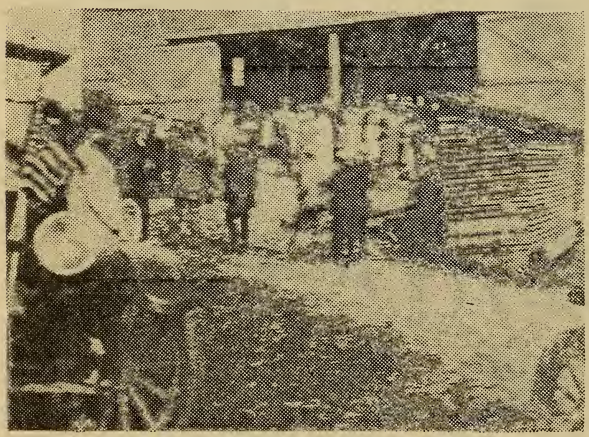
An African Hut

Yes, this is a grass hut, but not in Africa. Some of the children in the Vacation Bible School in the Cherry Grove church, Western Maryland, became so interested in the story of African homes that they went into the hayfield one afternoon and built the hut shown here. There was room for several children in it. One boy is sitting in the doorway.

Oak Grove Bible School

The Vacation Bible School at Oak Grove in Western Maryland. The children were enthusiastic about their first Bible School. Five of them walked four and one-half miles to the school and then home again. Some of the mothers rendered valuable service by helping with the handwork and singing.





The Orphanage Barn

The big barn at the Brethren's Orphanage near Eglon, West Va., at the time of the annual reunion. The orphanage is maintained by the Districts of West Virginia and Western Maryland. About twenty-eight children are in it at present.



Juniors of the Summit Congregation, Second Virginia

These Junior Leaguers are mindful of their Black Brothers in Africa. Each one seems to have some method of earning money. They are in a contest with the Senior B. Y. P. D's. At the time the picture was taken the Juniors were in the lead. The teachers of the Juniors are shown in the back row.

How It Was Done

Program Material for Black Brother Workers

Recitation for Ten Children (Girls or Boys)

(As each child concludes his stanza, let him lay on a small table in front a sample of the article by means of which his money was raised—tomato, ear of corn, potato, onion, melon, flowers, small candy pig, candy chicken and egg, newspaper, small dust-pan, toy lawn mower or bird-house, bib or holder.)

1st Child—

Last spring I dug my garden up,
And planted many seeds;
I meant to raise a generous crop
For my Black Brothers' needs.
I'm bringing now tomatoes red,
And ears of juicy corn;
I've had great fun in tending them
Through many a summer morn.

2nd Child—

I cut potatoes, most a peck,
And dropped them in my field;
I borrowed baskets from my dad
To carry in the yield.
And for a little extra spice
I raised some onions too;
They'll furnish supper for a crowd;
I think they're good; don't you?

3rd Child—

I raised big watermelons sweet,
And luscious cantaloupes,
And pumpkins for Thanksgiving pies,
That grow on twisted ropes;
I'd like to see Black Brothers bite—
Big bites, from ear to ear;
I know they'd grin, and ask for more;
Let's give them more next year!

4th Child—

I had a little corner sweet
With posies pink, and blue,
And golden, purple, white, and red,
All fresh with morning dew;
Full many a nosegay I have cut
And carried to the train,
Or sold to tired motorists
Along the dusty lane.

5th Child—

I started with a wee, white pig;
I gave him loads to eat,
And pretty soon the neighbors said,
"He'll make a lot of meat!"
And when I sold him, daddy said,
"You are a clever lad!
When all your dollars cross the sea,
Black Brothers will be glad!"

6th Child—

I chose to run a chicken yard;
I had a pretty flock
Of dainty Leghorns, white and buff,
And burly Plymouth Rock;
I gathered eggs in dozen lots
And took them to the store;
The grocer said, "They're nice and clean;
I'll let you bring me more!"

7th Child—

I took a morning paper route;
I had to rise at five
And visit half a dozen blocks
All up and down the drive;
It was a healthy job at that,
To pal with early birds;
The joy it gave to work and save
I can not tell in words.

8th Child—

My mother needed help each day,
And so I ran about
And did whatever I could find,
Till I was tired out;
I swept and dusted, fed the calves,
Brought water in and wood,
And while I trotted everywhere
I whistled all I could.

9th Child—

My neighbor is a busy man,
And couldn't mow his lawn,
And so he gave me generous pay
To do it while he's gone;
And in between times I would make
Bird-houses for his yard;
It was a pleasant summer's work;
I didn't think it hard.

10th Child—

My mother taught me how to sew;
And so I like to make
Some cheerful little pads to hold
Hot pans the day you bake;
And bibs all gay with bunnies bold,
Doilies and dusting-caps;
And all the while my thought was this—
To help those little chaps.

All—

We all are joined in one great cause—
To bring the gospel light
To needy children of the world,
Whether they're black or white;
And so we bring our offerings,
Our pay for joyful task,
And eagerly we pledge to do
What more our Lord may ask.

Adaline Hohf Beery.

NUTS TO CRACK

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First row of stars stands for an ancient town of Galilee.
Second row, one of two equal parts of anything.
Third row, the back of anything.
Fourth row, a man mentioned in 1 Chron. 9: 4.
Fifth row, a short form of the word meaning nose glasses.
Sixth row, a large wind instrument used in an orchestra.
The first letters of the words, taken in order, spell one of the names of the Savior.
The last letters of the words, taken in order, spell the name of the country to which the boys and girls are carrying the name of the Savior this year.

Hidden Word

Pick one word out of each sentence below, put them in order, and you will have the sound of the letters making one of the gladdest days of the year.

1. The captain and crew have gone to sea.
2. That letter is pronounced "aitch."
3. I am older than you are.
4. He hit him in the eye.
5. The name of that letter is "ess."
6. She offered me a cup of tea.
7. Look here, Em; I don't like that.
8. Our home in heaven will last for aye.
9. I had to teach him "ess" again.

(Answers next month)

NOVEMBER NUTS CRACKED

Hidden Word.—Thanksgiving.

Some of our Homeland Missionaries.—1. Bollinger. 2. Early. 3. Hersch. 4. Kline. 5. Wampler. 6. Bowman. 7. Garber. 8. Haney. 9. Horner. 10. Showalter. 11. White.

The Macmillan Co., Publishers, New York City, have sent us their new catalogue of Books for Boys and Girls. There are many fascinating titles among them, and the books are profusely illustrated. Suppose you send for the catalogue for yourself, choose what you would like for a nest egg for your library, send us your list, and the Brethren Publishing House will get it for you.

CHINA NOTES

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we should sing and she asked for "He Leadeth Me." We sang and sang and preached and talked, and told the children a Bible story, and then wanted to move on, but she would not have it. She asked for more teaching and more singing. We went into a home to see a bride of several weeks. She said: "You know me. I lived not far from you and was at your place often." Today we were in a home, and after we had taught and were about ready to leave, the woman said, "I like to read. Here are my books." She showed us five books on Buddha. I asked if I gave her a book on our religion, if she would read it, and she seemed delighted.

Although there is no work nor money from the mission for the women, about twelve or more are attending the Bible School. There are so many things to be thankful for. Although the church is not what we wish it were, and some of its members are hardly lukewarm, yet when we look back and compare what was not with what little is now, we have many reasons to be thankful to our heavenly Father for the way in which our puny efforts have been blessed. My visits into these villages and homes convince me that the harvest time is coming and that it will be an abundant harvest, too. The seed is surely in the ground, and it is not dead. It may be that none of us will do much reaping, but there must be a harvest. The people remember

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FINANCIAL REPORT

Conference Offering, 1927. As of October 31, 1927, the Conference (Budget) offering for the year ending February 29, 1928, stands as follows:
Cash received since March 1, 1927, ...$150,336.27
(The 1927 Budget of $408,300.00 is 36.8% raised, whereas it should be 66.6%.)

Mission Board Treasury Statement. The following shows the condition of mission finances on October 31, 1927:

Income since March 1, 1927	$177,395.41
Income same period last year	185,214.62
Expense since March 1, 1927	244,636.08
Expense same period last year	207,263.27
Mission deficit October 31, 1927	76,125.28
Mission deficit September 30, 1927	70,330.47
Increase in deficit for October, 1927	5,794.81

Tract Distribution: During the month of September the Board sent out 4,553 doctrinal tracts.

Correction No. 18: See September, 1927, Visitor under W. W. Missions. Credit of $50.00 to Grant W. Bowman of First Los Angeles, Southern California, should instead have been of Calvary Congregation.

Correction No. 19: See November, 1927, Visitor under A. S. F. M. F. credit of $75.00 to Aid Societies of Southern California and Arizona instead should have appeared under Foreign Missions.

September Receipts: The following contributions for the various funds were received during September:

WORLD-WIDE MISSIONS

Africa—$24.82
Indv.: No. 100036, ... $ 24.82

Arizona—$30.70
Cong.: Glendale, $17.85; S. S. Glendale, $12.85, ... 30.70

California—$43.26
No. Dist., S. S.: Chowchilla, $21.36; Live Oak, $3.90, ... 25.26
So. Dist., Cong.: C. Walter Warstler (M. N.) Calvary (L. A.), $1; Geo. H. Bashor (M. N.) (Glendora), $.50; First Los Angeles, $6; Earl Barnhart and wife (La Verne), $10; C. C. Kindy (Pasadena) $.50, ... 18.00

Canada—$15.90
S. S.: Fairview, ... 15.90

Florida—$11.29
Cong.: Seneca, ... 11.29

Illinois—$53.24
No. Dist., Cong.: Batavia, $15.55; Ernest G. Hoff (M. N.) (Chicago), $.50; S. S.: Lena, $7.55; Rockford, $15.16; Sterling, $7.08, 45.84
So. Dist., Cong.: Romine, $3.40; Springfield, $4, ... 7.40

Indiana—$570.83
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Spring Creek, $55; Rev. Moyne Landis (Spring Creek) $1; S. S.: Eel River, $55.93; Roann, $8.57; Spring Creek, $57.69, ... 178.19
No. Dist., Cong.: Baugo, $28.36; Blue River, $9; Elkhart Valley, $33.91; North Liberty, $25.13; Pine Creek, $63.41; Shipshewana, $31; Wakarusa, $152.15; Yellow Creek, $6.56; S. S.: Plymouth, $39.15, ... 388.67
So. Dist., Cong.: Kokomo, $3.47; J. G. Stinebaugh (M. N.) (Rossville), $.50, ... 3.97

Iowa—$180.93
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Panther Creek, $57.50; J. B. Spurgeon (Panther Creek), $25.00; S. S.: Bagley, $1.16, ... 83.66
No. Dist., Cong.: David Brallier and wife (Curlew), $10; Ivester, $10; Waterloo City Church (South Waterloo), $60; S. S.: Waterloo City, $5, ... 85.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Franklin, $2.27; Indv.: Charles B. Knee, $10, ... 12.27

Kansas—$56.52
N. E. Dist., Cong.: J. A. Vancil (M. N.) (East Maple Grove), $.50; Navarre, $5; Y. P. D.: Richland Center, $1.77, ... 7.27
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Galesburg, ... 24.00
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Bloom, $6.78; D. H. Heckman (M. N.) (Garden City), $.50; S. S.: Larned Rural, $14.97; Indv.: Mrs. W. M. Rexroad, $3, ... 25.25

Louisiana—$24.27
Cong.: Rose Pine, $5.55; Union Church (Rose Pine) $3.75; S. S.: Roanoke, $14.97, ... 24.27

Maryland—$660.13
E. Dist., Cong.: Bethany, $120; Mrs. Chas. Fifer (Bethany), $25; Upper Middletown Valley, $14.75; S. S.: Westminster (Meadow Branch), $61.29, ... 221.04
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Brownsville, $3.50; Hagerstown, $288; John S. Bowlus (M. N.) (Pleasant View), $1; S. S.: Hagerstown, $100; Beacon Lights Class (Hagerstown), $12, ... 404.50
W. Dist., Cong.: Bear Creek, $5; C. A. Merrill and wife (Cherry Grove), $10; Georges Creek, $14.59; Cora Shaffer (Oakland), $5, .. 34.59

Michigan—$32.05
Cong.: Beaverton, $3.75; Elsie, $3.50; S. S.: Battle Creek, $25, ... 32.05

Missouri—$34.77
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Lulu Fahnestock (Deepwater), $6; Warrensburg City, $12; D. V. B. S.: Warrensburg City, $2.95, ... 20.95
No. Dist., Cong.: Pleasant View, ... 5.67
S. W. Dist., S. S.: Carthage, ... 8.15

Nebraska—$47.04
Cong.: Enders, $6.25; Falls City, $5.02; Octavia, $5.40; S. S.: Afton, $15; Enders, $4.60; Lincoln, $2.72; Aid Soc.: Enders, $2; C. W. S.: Enders, $6.05, ... 47.04

North and South Carolina—$60.50
Congregations of district, ... 60.50

North Dakota—$23.32
Cong.: Kenmare, $10; S. S.: Egeland, $8.32; Minot, $5, ... 23.32

Ohio—$570.33
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Ashland City, $3.71; Center, $22.62; Mrs. Susan Fox (Kent) $5; Curtis A. Worst (Mohican). $5; B. F. Wise (Mt. Zion), $10; A. B. Elliott (Mt. Zion), $2; Reading, $11.56; West Nimishillen, $17.60; S. S.: West Nimishillen, $16.50, ... 93.99
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Bellefontaine, $10; County Line, $2; Defiance, $12; Deshler, $5; Dupont, $3.49; Eden, $16; Fairview, $40; A Brother (Greenspring), $50; P. F. Dukes (Greenspring) $10; Hicksville, $4; Lima, $8.70; Logan, $100.34; Albert Hartsough (Portage) $5, ... 266.53
So. Dist., Cong.: Constance, $5; Oakland, $36.69; Pitsburg, $8.80; C. V. Coppock (M. N.) (Sidney), $.50; S. S.: Ft. McKinley, $7.88; Greenville, $19.86; Harris Creek, $5.34; Lower Miami, $26.30; Bethel (Salem), $95.21; Union City, $4.23, ... 209.81

Oregon—$7.00
S. S.: Ashland, ... 7.00

Pennsylvania—$760.76
E. Dist., Cong.: Conewago, $32.50; Fredericksburg, $1; Hatfield, $25; Mechanic

Grove, $40; A Brother and Sister (Spring Creek) $100; A Brother and Sister, (Little Swatara), $15; West Conestoga, $40; S. S.: Gleaners' Class (Akron), $5; Annville, $33.05; South Annville (Annville), $24.87; East Fairview, $9; East Petersburg, $7.06; Daughters of Dorcas Class (Ephrata), $5; Indian Creek, $20.62; Heidleberg, $13.51; Mountville, $9.56; Spring Creek, $11.96, ... 393.13

Mid. Dist., Cong.: A. B. Wakefield (Aughwick), $5; Mary A. Kinsey (Dunnings Creek), $10; Grant Bratton and wife (Lewistown), $15; Snake Spring, $14.14; Stonerstown, $25.17; S. S.: Germany Valley (Aughwick, $13.15; Sugar Run (Aughwick), $7.55; Bellwood. $15; Curryville (Woodbury), $6.50; Yellow Creek, $7.77; Aid. Soc.: Women's Missionary Society, (First Altoona), $6, ... 125.28

S. E. Dist., Cong.: Quakertown (Springfield), $52.03; A Sister (Green Tree), $5; Arnold H. Francis (Green Tree), $25; Indv.: D. G. Hendricks, $10, ... 92.03

So. Dist., Cong.: J. A. Leer and wife (Huntsdale). $10; Krissinger Sisters (Lost Creek), $8; Shank's (Back Creek), $5; Mary E. Bixler (York). $1; S. S.: Brandts (Back Creek), $1.33; Mechanicsburg, $20.16; New Fairview, $17.96; Melrose (Upper Codorus), $6.06, ... 69.51

W. Dist., Cong.: J. Lloyd Nedrow (M. N.) (Glade Run). $1; J. C. Beahm (M. N.) (Indian Creek), $.50; Moxham, $32.26; Redbank, $4.64; S. S.: Meyersdale, $15.28; Plum Creek, $27.13, ... 80.81

South Dakota—$3.00
S. S.: Willow Creek, ... 3.00

Tennessee—$21.67
Cong.: Limestone, $5; Raymond R. Peters (Taylor's Valley), $11.67; Indv.: Mrs. D. T. Keebler, $5, ... **21.67**

Texas—$25.00
Cong.: M. H. Peters and wife (Manvel), 25.00

Virginia—$108.91
1st Dist.. Cong.: Antioch, $45; Indv.: Mrs. Alva Tenny, $1.50, ... 46.50

No. Dist., Cong.: J. Carson Miller (M. N.) (Flat Rock). $.50; Mt. Zion. $3.95; Rilevville (Mt. Zion), $2.10; Pleasant View. $3.57; Upper Lost River, $7; S. S.: Salem, $18.79, ... 35.91

2nd Dist.. Cong.: Geo. R. Roberston, (Chimney Run), $5.25; S. S.: Bridgewater, $21.25, ... 26.50

Washington—$37.00
Cong.: Wenatchee Valley, ... 37.00

West Virginia—$82.00
1st Dist., Cong.: Cheat River, ... 30 00

2nd Dist., Cong.: John J. Showalter (Mt. Hebron, $2: G. W. Smith (Pleasant Valley), $5; Geo. Row (Valley River), $10; Indv.: M. R. Hamilton, $10; Elder John Monroe Wells, Deceased, $25, ... 52.00

Wisconsin—$3.00
S. S.: Maple Grove, $2; Indv.: Alfreid Lein, $1, ... 3.00

Total for the month, ...$ 3,488.24
Total previously reported, ... 25,473.38

Total for the year, ...$28,961.62

STUDENT FELLOWSHIP FUND 1926-27

Virginia—$69.50
Sec. Dist., Student Volunteers of Bridgewater College, ...$ 69.50

Total for the month, ...$ 69.50
Total previously reported, ... 2,128.56

Total for the year, ...$ 2,198.06

AID SOCIETY FOREIGN MISSION FUND 1926

Indiana—$3.00
Mid. Dist., Aid Societies, ...$ 3.00

Total for the month, ...$ 3.00
Total previously reported. 3,052.12

$ 3,055.12
Correction No. 19, ... 75.00

Total for the year, ...$ 2,980.12

AID SOCIETY MISSION FUND 1927

Indiana—$9.00
Mid. Dist., Aid Societies, ...$ 9.00

West Virginia—$8.00
Sec. Dist., Aid Soc.: Valley River, ... 8.00

Total for the month, ...$ 17.00
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ...$ 17.00

HOME MISSIONS

Indiana—$25.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Amy Idle (Buck Creek),$ 25.00

Ohio—$25.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Elizabeth Miller (Ft. McKinley), ... 25.00

Total for the month, ...$ 50.00
Total previously reported, ... 454.32

Total for the year, ...$ 504.32

GREENE COUNTY, VIRGINIA, MISSION

Illinois—$15.00
No. Dist., D. V. B. S.: First Chicago, ...$ 15.00

Iowa—$12.79
So. Dist., S. S.: Salem, ...$ 12.79

Kansas—$9.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Galesburg, ... 9.00

Pennsylvania—$9.36
E. Dist., S. S.: Ridgely, ... 9.36

Total for the month, ...$ 46.15
Total previously reported, ... 253.17

Total for the year, ...$ 299.32

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Indiana—$25.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Amy Idle (Buck Creek), $ 25.00

Maryland—$35.00
E. Dist., Cong.: Frederick City, ... 35.00

Ohio—$55.23
So. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Elizabeth Miller (Ft. McKinley), $50; S. S.: Middletown, $5.23, 55.23

Virginia—$5.50
So. Dist., S. S.: Schoolfield, ... 5.50

Total for the month, ...$ 120.73
Total previously reported, ... 1,994.30

$ 2,115.03
Correction No. 19, ... 75.00

Total for the year, ...$ 2,190.03

JUNIOR LEAGUE 1927

Illinois—$11.86
No. Dist., Junior League.: Freeport, ...$ 11.86

Maryland—$3.00
Mid. Dist., D. V. B. S.: Brownsville, ...$ 3.00

Ohio—$16.25
N. W. Dist., D. V. B. S.: Bellefontaine, .. 16.25

Total for the month, ...$ 31.11
Total previously reported, ... 288.82

Total for the year, ...$ 319.93

B. Y. P. D. FUND 1927-28

Kansas—$10.40
S. E. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Osage, ...$ 10.40

Michigan—$5.00
Y. P. D.: Battle Creek, ... 5.00

Pennsylvania—$50.00
W. Dist., Y. P. D.: Walnut Grove (Johnstown), ... 50.00

Washington—$10.00
Y. P. D.: Omak, ... 10.00

Total for the month, ...$ 75.40
Total previously reported, ... 403.07

Total for the year, ...$ 478.47

INDIA MISSION

Illinois—$5.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Barnhart (Elgin), $ 5.00
Maryland—$75.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Philathea Class (Hagerstown), $25; Indv.: No. 100067, $50, ... 75.00
Ohio—$156.94
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Akron, ... 156.94

Total for the month, ...$ 236.94
Total previously reported, ... 1,409.28

Total for the year, ...$ 1,646.22

INDIA NATIVE WORKER

Ohio—$15.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Greenville, ...$ 15.00
Pennsylvania—$10.00
E. Dist., Indv.: A Friend of Missions, ... 10.00

Total for the month, ...$ 25.00
Total previously reported, ... 345.00

Total for the year, ...$ 370.00

INDIA BOARDING SCHOOL

Illinois—$7.09
So. Dist., Cong.: Benson (Panther Creek),$ 7.09
Ohio—$25.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Young People's Classes (Salem), ... 25.00
Pennsylvania—$26.25
E. Dist., Aid. Soc.: West Green Tree, .. 26.25

Total for the month, ...$ 58.34
Total previously reported, ... 471.15

Total for the year, ...$ 529.49

INDIA SHARE PLAN

Indiana—$25.00
No. Dist., S. S.: Primary Dept. (First South Bend), ...$ 25.00
Maryland—$75.00
E. Dist., S. S.: Woodberry (Baltimore), .. 50.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Altruistic Bible Class (Hagerstown), ... 25.00
Ohio—$37.50
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Claude G. Vore (Lima), ... 25.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Sisters' Bible Class (Beech Grove), ... 12.50
Pennsylvania—$87.50
E. Dist., S. S.: Young Folks' Bible Class (Harrisburg), ... 25.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Eld. B. F. Lightner and wife (Marsh Creek), $12.50; Jacob G. Aldinger (York), $50, ... 62.50

Total for the month, ...$ 225.00
Total previously reported, ... 2,353.75

Total for the year, ...$ 2,578.75

CHINA MISSION

China—$92.67
Indv.: Dr. D. L. Horning, ...$ 92.67
Indiana—$2.23
So. Dist., S. S.: Middletown, ...$ 2.23
Pennsylvania—$5.74
W. Dist., Cong.: Moxham, ... 5.74

Total for the month, ...$ 100.64
Total previously reported, ... 1,278.78

Total for the year, ...$ 1,368.42

CHINA GIRLS' SCHOOL

Ohio—$25.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Y. P. Class (Salem), ...$ 25.00

Total for the month, ...$ 25.00
Total previously reported, ... 12.74

Total for the year, ...$ 37.74

CHINA SHARE PLAN

California—$25.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Inglewood, ...$ 25.00
Ohio—$12.50
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Young People's Bible Class (East Chippewa), ... 12.50
North Dakota—$25.00
S. S.: Kenmare, ... 25.00
Pennsylvania—$51.10
Cong.: Lewistown, ... 51.10

Total for the month, ...$ 113.60
Total previously reported, ... 900.43

Total for the year, ...$ 1,014.03

AFRICA MISSION

California—$11.72
So. Dist., S. S.: Inglewood, ...$ 11.72
Indiana—$426.50
No. Dist., Cong.: Yellow Creek, $51.50; S. S.: First South Bend, $350; Friendship Bible Class (First South Bend), $25, ... 426.50
Maryland—$30.10
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Philathea Class (Hagerstown), ... 25.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Georges Creek, ... 5.10
Oregon—$17.52
D. V. B. S.: Portland, ... 17.52
Pennsylvania—$185.45
E. Dist., Cong.: Mountville, $33; Y. P. D.: Mountville, $25; D. V. B. S.: Elizabethtown, $22.25; Fredericksburg, $21.70; Harrisburg, $12.50, ... 115.45
Mid. Dist., Cong.: No. 100122 (Lewistown), ... 20.00
W. Dist., S. S.: Smilers Class, Walnut Grove (Johnstown), ... 50.00
Virginia—$5.06
E. Dist., D. V. B. S.: Mt. Carmel, ... 5.06

Total for the month, ...$ 675.35
Total previously reported, ... 2,139.65

Total for the year, ...$ 2,815.00

AFRICA SHARE PLAN

Indiana—$35.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Brick (Nettle Creek), ..$ 35.00
Maryland—$25.00
E. Dist., S. S.: Men's Bible Class (Washington City), ... 25.00

Total for the month, ...$ 60.00
Total previously reported, ... 358.40

Total for the year, ...$ 418.40

NEAR EAST RELIEF

Indiana—$8.00
No. Dist., Children of Union Center, ...$ 8.00
Nebraska—$12.00
Cong.: Octavia, ... 12.00
Pennsylvania—$59.51
E. Dist., S. S.: Spring Creek, $3.51; Character Builders Class (Midway), $5; Elizabeth Martin's class (Midway), $6; Hannah Binner's Class (Midway), $5; Willing Workers Class (Midway), $5, ... 24.51
So. Dist., Cong.: J. A. Leer and wife (Huntsdale), ... 10.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Elizabeth Mills (Walnut Grove) (Johnstown), $10; S. S.: Intermediate Department (Walnut Grove) (Johnstown), $15, ... 25.00

Total for the month, ...$ 79.51

Total previously reported, ... 586.74

Total for the year, ...$ 666.25

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY FLOOD RELIEF

Tennessee—$5.00
Indv.: Mrs. D. T. Keebler, ...$ 5.00

Total for the month, ...$ 5.00
Total previously reported, ... 622.83

Total for the year, ...$ 627.83

CONFERENCE BUDGET

California—$6.56
No. Dist., S. S.: Patterson, ...$ 6.56

Iowa—$75.00
So. Dist., Cong.: English River, ... 75.00

Maryland—$50.00
E. Dist., Cong.: New Windsor (Pipe Creek), ... 50.00

Michigan—$6.29
D. V. B. S.: Marilla, ... 6.29

Missouri—$20.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Jas. S. Carney and Family (Shelby Co), ... 20.00

Pennsylvania—$5.00
Mid. Dist., Coong.: S. K. Wisler (Clover Creek), ... 5.00

Total for the month, ...$ 162.85
Total previously reported, ... 57,031.57

Total for the year, ...$57,194.42

MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

California—$288.68
No. Dist., Sunday Schools for Minneva Neher, ...$ 234.79
So. Dist., La Verne Cong. for Ernest Vaniman and wife, and L. A. Blickenstaff and wife, ... 53.89

Colorado—$112.67
E. Dist., Congregations for Anna N. Crumpacker, ... 112.67

Illinois—$12.78
No. Dist., Franklin Grove S. S. for Bertha Butterbaugh, ... 12.78

Indiana—$450.00
Mid. Dist., Sunday Schools for Mrs. I. W. Moomaw, ... 250.00
So. Dist., Sunday Schools for W. J. Heisey, 200.00

Iowa—$100.00
No. Dist., Waterloo City S. S. for Mary Shull, ... 100.00

Kansas—$504.30
N. W. Dist., Sunday Schools for H. L. Alley, ... 500.00
S. E. Dist., Parsons Sunday School for Emma H. Eby, ... 4.30

Michigan—$77.09
Sunday Schools for Dr. J. Paul Gibbel, $69.59; Junior Departments for Maurine Miller, $3.75; Primary Departments for Haven Crumpacker, $3.75, ... 77.09

Ohio—$279.05
N. E. Dist., Olivet Sunday School for A. D. Helser, ... 28.08
N. W. Dist., Lick Creek Cong. for Elizabeth Kintner, ... 125.00
So. Dist., Salem Cong. for Minnie Bright, $107.99; Bethel (Salem) Sunday School for Minnie Bright, $17.98, ... 125.97

Pennsylvania—$153.33
Mid. Dist., Albright Cong. and S. S. for Olivia D. Ikenberry, ... 20.00
W. Dist., Pittsburgh Cong. for L. S. Brubaker, $50; Good Samaritan Class (Walnut Grove) (Johnstown) for Anna Hutchison, $83.33, ... 133.33

Virginia—$465.00
Ist Dist., Leland C. Moomaw and wife (First Roanoke) for Elsie N. Shickel, ... 400.00
No. Dist., South Mill Creek Church (South Fork) for I. S. Long and wife, ... 10.00
Sec. Dist., Barren Ridge Cong. for Nora Flory, ... 55.00

West Virginia—$45.16
Ist Dist., Eglon Cong. for Anna B. Mow, .. 45.16

Total for the month, ...$ 2,488.06
Total previously reported, ... 25,554.66

Total for the year, ...$28,042.72

CHINA NOTES

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too many pleasant things and too much of the word of God for it not to be so.

Miss Edna Flory sends the following notes in regard to the Ping Ting hospital work: Mr. Meng, the head nurse at the men's hospital, left for his home several days ago. He received a message that his father was very ill. His home is in Anhui, south of Shansi, in the war district. The report said that his father was seriously wounded.

We had one Cæsarean section and one hernia; both got along finely, There were thirty-two inpatients in the men's hospital this month. Dispensary calls were 560.

Four students are preparing to take the final Nurses' Association of China examinations in December. Six will take the first part of the examination, so we expect to be busy with reviewing and regular class work.

Dr. Wang sends some very interesting news of the progress that has been made in the hospital at Liao during the past year. At present our medical work has improved much over what it was in the past. At this time last year (Sept. 9) we had only one inpatient for two successive months and only three to five in six months, but today we have twenty inpatients. (On Sept. 19 they had 23.) We had only three maternity cases last year, but this year we have already had ten.

The Liao schools opened with about fifty boys and fifteen girls.

Pastor Li of Taiyuan writes that most of their regular church attendants also often attend the Bible class which he has every evening. He says further: "If God will give us strength we will fear nothing, for his work is still developing, even though at so hard a time."

Our mission court was not as quiet this summer as usual, for fifteen Ping Ting high-school students lived in our court. Most of them were planning to enter school and only a few came to hunt for work. They lived here for more than a month and helped the church very much. Now they have all moved to their schools, but we hope to be able to keep in close touch with them.

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AMERICA

Church of the Brethren Industrial School, Geer, Va.

Bollinger, Amsey and Florence, 1922
Finckh, Elsie, 1925
Hersch, Orville and Mabel, 1925
Kline, Alvin, 1926
Wampler, Nelie, 1922

Dayton, Va.

Early, H. C., and Emma, 1925

In Pastoral Service

Bowman, Price and Elsie, Bassett, Va., 1925
Fahnestock, Rev. and Mrs. S. G., 1059 Michigan Ave., Portland, Ore., 1927
Haney, R. A. and Irva, Merrill, Md., 1925
Horner, W. J. and Hazel, 3122 Ellis Ave., Fort Worth, Texas
Scrogum, Arthur and Marie, Accident, Md., 1926
Showalter, R. K. and Florence, Rose Pine, La., 1926
White, Ralph and Matie, 1206 E. Holston Ave., Johnson City, Tenn., 1923

SWEDEN

Spanhusvagen 38, Malmö, Sweden

Graybill, J. F., and Alice, 1911
Buckingham, Ida, 1913

CHINA

Liao Chow, Shansi, China

Pollock, Myrtle, 1917
Senger, Nettie M., 1916
Shock, Laura J., 1916

Ping Ting Chow, Shansi, China

Crumpacker, F. H., 1908
Flory, Edna R., 1917
Metzger, Minerva, 1910
Schaeffer, Mary, 1917

Show Yang, Shansi, China

Neher, Minneva J., 1924
Ulery, Ruth F., 1926

T'ung Chow, Chihli, China

Coffman, Dr. Carl, 1921, and Lulu, 1919
Flory, Byron M., and Nora, 1917
Heisey, Walter J., and Sue, 1917
Oberholtzer, I. E., and Elizabeth, 1916
Seese, Norman A., and Anna, 1917

On Furlough

Baker, Elizabeth, 506 Wayne Ave., Greenville, O., 1922
Bright, J. Homer and Minnie, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1911
Ikenberry, E. L. and Olivia, 3343 Whitney Ave., Mt. Carmel, Conn., 1922
Brubaker, L. S., and Marie, 1031½ W. 34th St., Los Angeles, Calif., 1924
Clapper, V. Grace, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1917
Cline, Mary E., 900 Franklin, Roaring Spring, Pa., 1920
Flory, Raymond, and Lizzie, R. 4, Grants Pass, Ore., 1914
Crumpacker, Anna, McPherson, Kans., 1908
Horning, Dr. D. L., and Martha, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
Horning, Emma, 400 So. Homan Ave., Chicago, Ill., 1908
Hutchison, Anna, Easton, Md., 1911
Myers, Minor M., and Sara, Bridgewater. Va., 1919
Smith, W. Harlan and Frances, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1920
Sollenberger, O. C., and Hazel, % J. W. Coppock, Tippecanoe City, Ohio, 1919
Vaniman, Ernest D., and Susie, La Verne, Calif., 1913
Wampler, Dr. Fred J., and Rebecca, Accomac, Va., 1913

AFRICA

Garkida, Nigeria, West African, via Jos

Burke, Dr. Homer L., and Marguerite, 1923
Flohr, Earl W., and Ella, 1926
Gibbel, Dr. J. Paul, and Verda, 1926
Harper, Clara, 1926
Helser, Albert D., 1922, and Lola, 1923
Robertson, Dr. Russell L., and Bertha C., 1927
*Kulp, H. Stover, 1922, and Christina, 1927
Shisler, Sara, 1926

* At Dille.

On Furlough

Mallott, Floyd, and Ruth, No. Manchester, Ind., 1924
Heckman, Clarence C., and Lucile, Polo, Ill., 1924
Beahm, Wm. M., and Esther, Elgin, Ill. % General Mission Board, 1924

INDIA

Ahwa, Dangs, India

Garner, H. P., and Kathryn, 1916

Anklesvar, Broach Dist., India

Grisso, Lillian, 1917
Long, I. S., and Effie, 1903
Moomaw, I. W., and Mabel, 1923
Shickel, Elsie, 1921
Woods, Beulah, 1924

Bulsar, Surat Dist., India

Blickenstaff, Lynn A., and Mary, 1920
Blickenstaff, Verna M., 1919
Brumbaugh, Anna B., 1919
Butterbaugh, A. G., and Bertha, 1919
Cottrell, Dr. A. R., and Laura, 1913
Miller, Arthur S. B., and Jennie, 1919
Mohler, Jennie, 1916
Shumaker, Ida C., 1910
Stoner, Susan L., 1927

Dahanu Road, Thana Dist., India

Ebbert, Ella, 1917
Metzger, Dr. Ida, 1925
Nickey, Dr. Barbara M., 1915
Roop, Ethel, 1926
Royer, B. Mary, 1913
Wolf, L. Mae, 1922

Jalalpor, Surat Dist., India

Miller, Eliza B., 1900

Vada, Thana Dist., India

Kaylor, John I., 1911 and Ina, 1921
Swartz, Goldie E., 1916

Palghar, Thana Dist., India

Alley, Howard L., and Hattie, 1917

Post Umalla, via Anklesvar, India

Lichty, D. J., 1902, and Anna, 1912
Widdowson, Olive, 1912
Ziegler, Kathryn, 1908

Vyara, via Surat Dist., India

Blough, J. M., and Anna, 1903
Brooks, Harlan J., and Ruth, 1924
Mow, Anetta, 1917

Burjor Bag, Lunsikui, Navsare, India

Mow, Baxter M., and Anna, 1923

On Furlough

Ebey, Adam, and Alice, North Manchester, Ind., 1900
Hollenberg, Fred M., and Nora, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
Kintner, Elizabeth, Ney, Ohio, 1919
Miller, Sadie J., R. F. D., Waterloo, Iowa, 1903
Shull, Chalmer and Mary, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
Summer, B. F., and Nettie, 3435 W. Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
Wagoner, J. E., and Ellen, North Manchester, Ind., 1919

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